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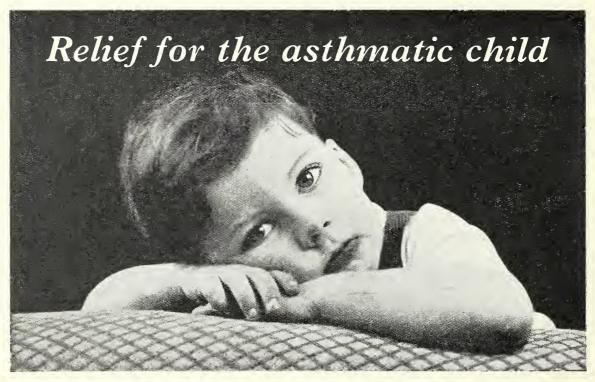




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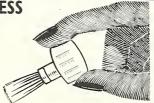
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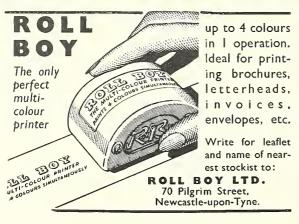
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ON T/V TOO!

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WHY—AND HOW— YOU WILL SELL MORE GLOVELIES

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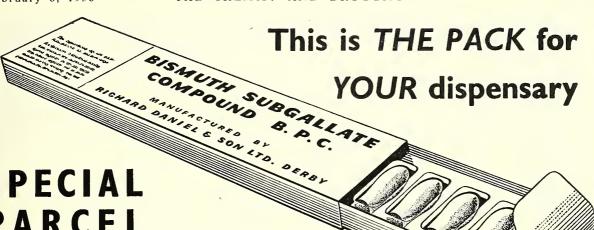


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YOUR PROFIT ON COST OVER

1 Doz. ROTOfresh (Retail 1/8) at 13/4 per doz. 13s. 4d. 3 Doz. ROTOsan Discs (Retail 1/3) at 10/- per doz. £1 10s. 0d.

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5% BONUS

2s. 2d. £2 Is. 2d.

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£3 15s. 2d. 5s. 8d. 9s. 6d

ABOVE OFFER CLOSES MARCH 29th



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ROTOsan Automatics			+	3/9 P.T			42/6	5/6
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ORDER NOW YOUR OWN ASSORTMENT.

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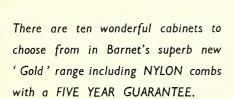
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BX.4	2 dozen x 3/- size ½ dozen x 5/6 size	83/3	79/6		72/11	32/1
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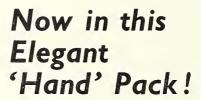
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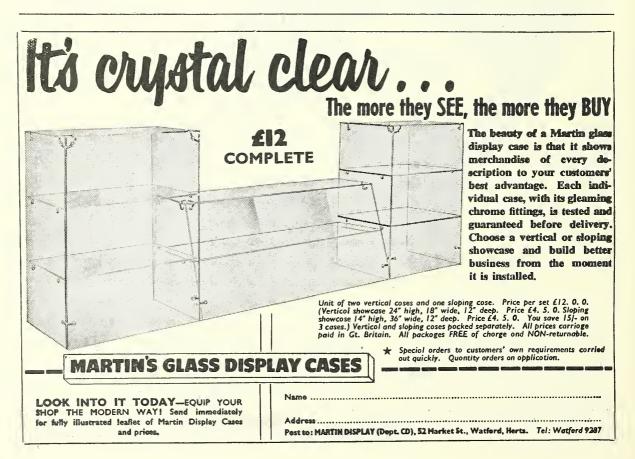
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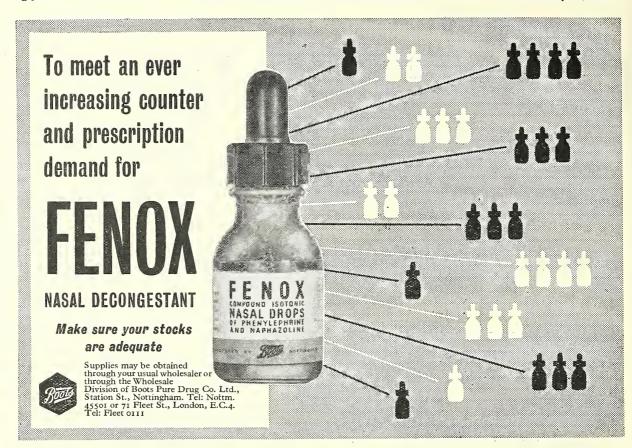
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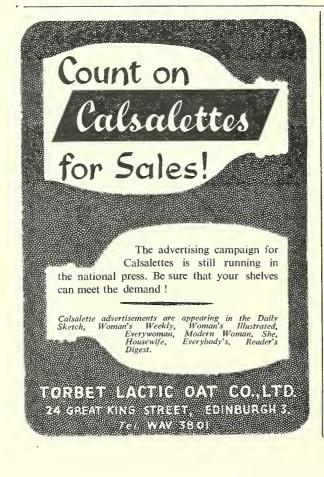


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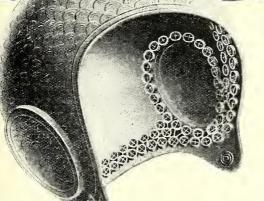
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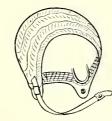
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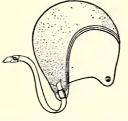
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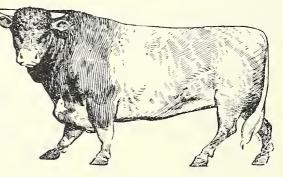


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Safe Use of Pesticides

GOVERNMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

OFFICIAL recommendations for the safe use of pesticides are contained in a dossier issued on January 30 by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

recommendations The are result of a voluntary notification scheme, under which manufacturers notify the Departments of Health, Agriculture and Food whenever they propose to introduce new toxic chemicals and formulations for use in agriculture and food storage, so that the Departments may advise on the measures which should be taken in the use of such preparations for the protection of workers and of consumers. The notifications are considered by the advisory committee on poisonous substances used in agriculture and food storage, which keep under review the risks that might arise from the use of toxic substances in food production and storage and advise the Ministers concerned. Additional pages are to be added to the dossier from time to time.

Narcotics Estimate, 1958

SYNTHETICS WIDEN CONTROL PROBLEM

THE appearance of a number of new drugs, most of them synthetic, has widened the problem of the control of narcotic drugs considerably, states the Drug Supervisory Body of the United Nations in a report on "Estimated Requirements of Narcotic Drugs in 1958." In 1954 there were estimates for thirty-two drugs, seventeen natural and fifteen synthetic, whereas the 1958 statement contains forty-four: twenty natural and twenty-four synthetic. The following figures taken from the report give the requirements in kilos for the nine most widely used narcotics in the United Kingdom with world figures in parenthesis. Morphine 15,550 (110,408); diacetylmorphine 60 (98); cocaine 140 (2,224); codeine 9,750 (95,263); cthylmorphine 160 (7,673); pholocodine 310 (1,016); pethidine 1,300 (16,034); methadone 100 (678); phenadoxone 30 (53). The report is obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office, price 4s. 6d.

Sulphuric Acid

PRODUCTION AND SALES UP IN 1957

PRODUCTION of sulphuric acid by members of the National Sulphuric Acid Association, Ltd., in 1957, rose to 2,775,690 tons (calculated as 100 per cent. H₂SO₄) from 2,251,180 tons in 1956 and represented 84'2 per cent. of production capacity (against 80'8)

per cent.). In the last quarter of the year production was 679,350 tons or 88 per cent. of production capacity. Sales in the quarter amounted to 606,673 tons making a total for the year of 2,371,060 tons (2.24 millions). The summaries do not include production or sales by Government plants.

Laboratory Chemists

NEW MINIMUM SALARY SCALES

THE British Association of Chemists has issued a revised scale of minimum salaries for chemists and chemical assistants. Minimum salary for a senior chemist in posts carrying exceptional responsibility is £2,000 per annum with a £1,400 minimum for senior chemists engaged in posts at executive or management level. After one year's experience, either industrial or academic, qualified chemists of over twenty-five years are to get a minimum of £800 rising by increments of not less than £60 per annum for a minimum of ten years. At twenty-three years of age but without post-graduate experience the rates are £680 per annum with increments as above; at 22, £620 and at 21,

Outdoor Advertising

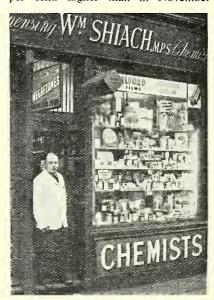
CODE OF STANDARDS PROPOSED

A CODE of standards for outdoor advertising prepared by a technical advisory committee is suggested by the Outdoor Advertising Industry Advisory Committee. In a recent memorandum to the Minister of Housing and Local Government on the proposed altera-tions to the Control of Advertisements Regulations, they submit that the new draft Regulations would do more harm than good from an amenity point of view. Many shopkeepers and trading organisations were still largely unaware that the Regulations, if introduced, would affect most shops and business premises where advertisements were displayed. Some of the changes proposed by the Minister are to alter the limits within which advertise-ments may be erected on business premises with "deemed consent" premises with so that: heigh height from the ground becomes the height of the facia, or 15 ft. which ever is the lower; no advertisement shall exceed 3 ft. in height; no advertisement shall project from the face of the building more than one foot; no advertisement shall be allowed on the residential part of the business premises; no advertisement shall be allowed in the forecourt unless it is attached to the building; no advertisement shall be allowed on a wall which is attached to the business premises and to withdraw in five years' time the right to display advertisements erected before the date of the new Regulations if they do not conform with the new restric-tions. The proper remedy for the "clutof advertisements on business premises, state O.A.I.A.C., is to educate shopkeepers and advertisers throughout the country to a sense of awareness that there are a right and a wrong way of displaying advertisements.

Retail Sales

BOARD OF TRADE STATISTICS

RECENTLY issued Board of Trade figures show that sales of chemists' goods by independent retailers were 2.9 per cent. lower in November 1957 than in October but 12.7 per cent. higher than in November 1956. Large retailers' sales were 28.6 per cent. higher in November 1957 than in October and 13.4 per cent. higher than in November



FACES EVICTION: After nearly twenty-nine years in business at Southwark, South London, M.P. William Shiach, M.P.S., faces eviction. The London County Council is proposing to demolish his shop at 69 Long Lane and adjoining property to make way for a children's playground. Mr. Shiach, who was said, at an inquiry held by the L.C.C. on January 28, to be the only chemist in the vicinity, was told the Council would do all it could to provide alternative accommodation for the business in the area.

1956. Sales by Co-operative societies were 13:3 per cent, higher in November 1957 than in October and 13:9 per cent, higher than in November 1956. The figures do not allow for receipts under the National Health Service.

Cosmetic Colourings

PLEA FOR PERMITTED LIST

" PIGMENTS, Lakes and Dyestuffs in Cosmetics" was the subject of the lecture given by Mr. D. F. Anstead to the Society of Cosmetic Chemists recently. Mr. Anstead concentrated on organic dyestuffs and pigments, and explained that the properties of the pigments were dependent upon the method of manufacture. Special properties such as light-fastness and tendency to "bleed into oil or water were discussed with reference to soap, bath crystals, face powders, lipsticks. foundation lotions and creams, cake make-up, nail varnish, and preparations in oil, water or alcohol. Not only did the method of manufacture modify the properties of the pigments, but other components present in the cosmetic product might play a part. Mere dilution might affect the light-fastness of a colour; perfume might affect not only light-fastness, but also tendency to "bleeding" and shade. Examples were given of the advantages which followed close co-operation between the colour manufacturer and the cosmetician. The difficulties encountered in colouring foundation creams and lotions and cake make-up could be eliminated when the pigment manufacturer made up the colour in paste form in one of the basic media of the cosmetic product. The processing together of coloured and white pigments for nail varnishes was also best carried out at the stage of nanufacture of the pigment, so that streaky white separation in the bottle could be avoided. The softness of texture and ease of dispersion of a pigment could change through alteration in particle size and formation of aggregates during filter-pressing and subsequent drying. Aggregates formed at that stage were not inevitably broken down during subsequent grinding. A recent promising development in pigment manufacture was to provide the particles with a hydrophilic film for dispersion in water and with a hydrophobic film for dispersion in oil. aggregation being prevented. The hope was expressed that the Toilet Preparations Federation would consider specifications for colours and introduce a list of permitted colours common to the permitted lists of as many countries as possible.

H-test Warning

RADIATION LEVEL CAUSING CONCERN

CONCERN at the high level of manmade radiation tolerated in the United States was expressed by Dr. T. C. Carter (a member of the Medical Research Council team, Harwell) when he addressed a course on radiation and health at Oxford on January 9. The level, he said, was over three times as high as in Britain. A petition calling for the stoppage of tests of nuclear bombs, signed by 9,000 scientists of forty-four countries and submitted to the United Nations on January 13, included Sir Henry Dale and Dr. C. F. Powell.

Synthetic Detergents

MARKET MAY BE STABILISED

FIGURES for the annual consumption of synthetic detergents in the United Kingdom show very little increase during recent years and suggest that, unlike the years 1949–54, the market has now become stabilised. That is one of several conclusions arrived at by the standing technical committee on synthetic detergents in a recent progress report published by H.M. Stationery Office, price sixpence. Domestic consumption in 1956 is given as 34,500 tons (10,500 tons in 1949) and industrial consumption as 6,500 tons (2,500 tons in 1949). The committee is satisfied that the detergent manufacturers are making a serious attempt to comply with the Jephcott Committee's recommendations (Report of the Committee on Synthetic Detergents, 1956) that . . . "manufacturers of household synthetic detergents should investigate the feasibility of producing efficient washing products based on materials which can be readily oxidised or eliminated, and will not cause persistent foaming during sewage treatment by present available methods. Mr. H. W. Cremer is chairman of the committee.

American Salk Arrives

DELIVERY OF POLIO VACCINE

A FURTHER consignment of Salk polio vaccine arrived at Speke Airport, Liverpool, on February 5. The consignment, the first American vaccine to reach Britain, was flown by B.O.A.C. aircraft from New York. The two previous deliveries consisted of vaccine of Canadian origin. Delivery of the consignment, sufficient for approximately half a million doses, was taken by Evans Medical Supplies, Ltd., Liverpool, who started distribution to Medical Officers of Health.

Blackhead in Turkeys

AMERICAN TESTS WITH FURAZOLIDONE

RESEARCH workers of Maryland University, U.S.A., report satisfactory results in the treatment of blackhead in turkeys with furazolidone administered in feed. Concentrations of 0.011 per cent., 0.0167 per cent., and 0.33 per cent. were given to 124 turkey poults for eight to ten weeks. Whereas thirty-one of 122 untreated controls died, every one of 125 treated with furazolidone survived. At high therapeutic levels the growth of the birds was not significantly retarded.

Whitley Council Claim

REVISED SALARY STRUCTURE REJECTED

A CLAIM for a revised salary structure which was presented by the Staff side at a meeting of the Whitley Council for Pharmacy. Committee "C" on January 31, was rejected by the Management side. A meeting of the Staff side is to be held shortly to decide on the next steps to be taken.

IRISH NEWS

Fire at a Pharmacy

TRAGIC CONSEQUENCES OF A MISHAP

A FIRE that broke out in the dispensary of the pharmacy of Mr. C. E. Moss, Ormeau Road, Belfast, caused injuries to a customer and two members of the staff of the pharmacy and resulted in the death of the proprietor (see p. 147). The customer, Mr. Peter Clerkin (head of the Department of Agricultural Bacteriology, Queen's University, Bel-fast), was taken to the Royal Victoria Hospital suffering from severe burns. His condition was described on February 3 as "serious but improving." Miss M. Lilley, aged eighteen (apprentice) and Mr. C. O'Neill, aged sixteen (dispatch clerk) were both discharged from hospital after treatment. Mr. Clerkin rushed out into the street with his hair and clothes on fire, and passers-by smothered the flames with overcoats. Prevented by flames from leaving by the shop entrance, Mr. O'Neill smashed an upstairs window of the premises and he and Miss Lilley climbed down a ladder which had been brought from the Belfast gasworks nearby. Passers-by entered the shop from the rear and pulled Mr. Moss out to the street. Benzene was being handled in the dispensary at the time of the outbreak.

Health Board

" FINES " ON CHEMISTS

THE Northern Ireland General Health Services Board, at its monthly meeting in Belfast on January 29, adopted a recommendation of the services committee to deduct £10 from the remuneration of a firm of chemists. The firm had been found to be in breach of their terms of service in that a test prescription for 12 oz. mist. pot. brom. et chloral was 45 per cent. deficient in chloral hydrate content. A representative of the firm stated that he had no explanation to offer other than that the chloral hydrate, which had been in stock since 1948, had deteriorated appreciably. The Board also adopted a recommendation to deduct £5 from the remuneration of a chemist because a test prescription was not dispensed by or under supervision of a registered pharmaceutical chemist.

SCOTTISH NEWS Road and Rail Blocked

SO DRUGS DELIVERED BY SEA

DURING the storm in North-east Scotland, in the week of January 19, when road and rail communications were severed, William Davidson, Ltd., a wholesale drug house, Palmerston Road, Aberdeen, were looking for means of sending urgent orders of drugs and mcdicine to customers in Peterhead. Just when the position seemed hopeless, they learned of the arrival of a small motor fishing vessel which had brought an urgent hospital case to Aberdeen for treatment. The firm contacted the boat, arranged to have the orders taken aboard and shipped back to Peterhead.

NEWS IN BRIEF

A NEW laboratory for the manufacture of the Lepine poliomyelitis vaccine has been opened near Paris. It is expected to be producing 500,000 doses of vaccine a week within two months.

THE Royal Commission on doctors' and dentists' remuneration has issued a questionnaire to a "random sample" of doctors. Information is being sought about type of work and past remuneration.

THE organisers of the Perkin Centenary Celebration have completed their accounts and the organisation has been wound up. Total amount made available to the Perkin Centenary Trust over the years 1955–65 is £33,253.

The social service aspects of the next Budget were being commented upon by London daily newspapers on February 5 following the presence of Mr. Derek Walker-Smith (Minister of Health) and Mr. John Boyd-Carpenter (Minister of Pensions) at a Cabinet meeting on February 4.

Tax reliefs for payers of surtax and profits tax, and the restoration of the investment allowance for industry to 40 per cent., are recommended by the National Union of Manufacturers in its annual letter to the Chancellor of the Exchequer before the Budget, published on February 3.

VOLUNTARY admission to mental hospitals is in future to be the normal method, Mr. Derek Walker-Smith (Minister of Health) announced on January 16. Certification, leading to compulsory detention in hospital, is to be used only when essential for protection of patient or public.

In view of the changing public attitude toward receipts for payments made by cheque since the passing of the Cheques Act, 1957, and the consequent decrease in value to rating authorities of the receipt system for accountancy purposes, local rating authorities are being empowered, if they wish, to do without receipts for rates paid by cheque.

A DELEGATION from the Jugo-Slav Ministry of Health has arrived in the United Kingdom to examine British methods in the control of poliomyelitis and the production of the vaccine. The visit was arranged by the British Council. The delegation is to visit the Ministry of Health, laboratories of the Medical Research Council and of the firms making the vaccine, a clinic where imnunisation is carried out, and hospitals where cases of poliomyelitis are treated.

Designed primarily to bring together in one volume information about mortality from cancer during the present century "Cancer Statistics for England and Wales, 1901–1955," published on January 30, also contains some information on the survival of cancer patients who have been to hospital. During the past twenty years the total mortality from cancer has increased in men at every age, but has declined among middle-aged women. Excluding cancer of lung, death rates from cancer have declined in both sexes, except among children and very old persons. The report is obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office, price 5s. 6d.

TOPICAL REFLECTIONS

By Xrayser

Ancient and Modern

Your supplement dealing with the subject of modern packaging emphasises the fact that there is a constant striving for improvement in containers of all kinds, and it is of interest that glass continues to hold its own despite the developments in plastics and polythene. The reference to glass and its uses by the Romans for perfumes (p. 120) recalls still earlier accounts of packaging. In the Book of Joshua it is said that the Gideonites took "old sacks upon their asses and wine bottles old and rent and bound up." It seems obvious from the description that the bottles in question were of skin, and the ancient Egyptians are known to have used bottles made of hides. Though conditions have probably changed now, skins were still in use in Armenia a century ago, where wine was stored in ox skins and transported or kept for immediate use in the smaller skins of goats or kids. Such "bottles" could reasonably have been described as plastic, but their life was limited owing to hardening of the material. It is assumed, probably correctly, that that explains the statement that "men do not put new wine into old bottles, else the bottles break and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish." But it would be wrong to suppose that bottles were made exclusively of animal skins, for the ancient Egyptians knew alabaster, glass and porcelain, using those materials for holding ointment or substances used for toilet purposes. In your editorial article on the subject (p. 127) you wisely insist that there are three parties to please with the container—maker, stockist and consumer—and that they must find a package efficient, pleasant to handle and attractive to look at. Under the heading of efficiency I would class ease of opening, and lack of that characteristic I have found the principal shortcoming in some modern packaging.

London's Water Supply

It is but a short step from wine in leather bottles to water in leather buckets—the mode of supply to those who, in earlier times, could afford the luxury of the services of the Guild of Water Carriers. Mr. P. B. Fasham, of the Metropolitan Water Board, made reference to that ancient fraternity in a most instructive talk on water to the South-east Metropolitan Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society (p. 118). According to Mr. Gordon Maxwell, London owes much to Sir Hugh Myddelton (1560–1631) goldsmith and banker, for his foresight in cutting a canal known as the New River for the purpose of giving the city a supply of pure water. Fierce opposition from the land owners, and lack of financial help from the County Council made Myddelton's task difficult, but King James I, on being appealed to, proved himself to be an enlightened monarch by giving aid—in return for a share of the profits. Tradition has it that Myddelton and Raleigh used to sit at the door of the goldsmith's shop in Basinghall Street and smoke the new tobacco, to the amazement of passers-by.

Danger Money

Christmas puddings have, metaphorically at least, made their appearance in the House of Commons. Mr. N. N. Dodds recently asked the Minister of Health if his attention had been drawn to the fact that in parts of a Christmas pudding adjacent to threepenny pieces there were 250 parts of copper in a million, and in the case of sixpenny pieces, 360 parts of copper in a million. There is thus revealed a new danger in plum puddings. Hitherto I had regarded the hazards as being confined to (a) swallowing the coin whole or (b) breaking a tooth. But the words "adjacent to" suggest that the lucky person is he who gets nothing but pudding on his plate, and the information should make it easier to appear a good loser. The situation is, therefore, that the degree of poisoning is directly proportional to the value of the reward; and that is perhaps as it should be. Who can tell, however, but that in far-off days they were equally knowledgeable? After all, who devised the tongue-twister "are they copper-bottoming him, mum?"

CONTRACTS FOR HOSPITAL DRUGS

Too little price competition according to Auditor General

THAT there is little effective price competition for the supply of a number of specialised drugs, mainly antibiotics, to hospitals under contracts negotiated centrally by the Ministry of Health is suggested by Sir Frank Tribe (Comptroller and Auditor General) in his report on the Civil Appropriation Accounts, 1956-57, published recently. Contracts for two antibiotics, valued at over £400,000, had been placed on the basis of single tenders, as there was apparently only one available source of supply in the United Kingdom. In the case of contracts for five other anti-biotics with a total value exceeding £800,000, identical prices were quoted for forty-three out of fifty-nine items on the tender schedules and only single quotations were received for the remaining sixteen items. As prices did not appear to have been tested by cost investigation the Ministry had been asked what evidence they had that prices being paid were no more than fair and reasonable.

Uniform Prices

Sir Frank recalls that he had earlier asked the Ministry whether they were satisfied with prices for "a comparatively new hormone preparation' first running contracts for the supply of all forms of which had effect from June 1955. Contracts, subsequently placed at six-monthly intervals, totalling £700,000 per annum, had remained unchanged and had resulted almost entirely from identical or single tenders. Manufacturers tendering for the first time normally did so at existing prices and contract prices were apparently the same as ordinary list prices paid by chemists.

In reply the Ministry stated that the contract prices had been fixed following open competitive tendering; the similarity between many of them appeared to derive from competition rather than lack of it and the ordinary list prices paid by chemists appeared to follow those fixed under the contracts. The Ministry had been given specific assurances by contractors that there was no collusion on prices. In the circumstances they considered that the prices must be accepted as fair and reasonable, and that the question of cost investigation did not arise. Although prices had been stable for two years the Ministry expected them to be influenced by new plant and processes that were being introduced, and had informed the Comptroller that one of the contractors concerned had in fact notified a reduction in prices for certain items covered by the contract, with effect from December 1957.

Discussion with the pharmaceutical industry on the prices of basic drugs had resulted in the acceptance of a scheme for regulating prices of certain proprietary preparations which was put into effect in June 1957. Since then, Sir Frank states, he had been informed by the Ministry that with changing conditions and developments the need for detailed cost investigation in some sections of the basic drug field might have diminished. The Voluntary Price Regu-

lation Scheme for proprietary preparations might provide evidence of the reasonableness of the cost of basic drugs.

Dealing with chemists' remuneration, Sir Frank comments that chemists who buy standard drugs and non-proprietary preparations at advantageous rates might make a profit from reimbursement at Drug Tariff rates. In England and Wales a pilot inquiry was carried out and in August 1957 it was reported that prices paid by chemists for most drugs were well below Drug Tariff rates. Discussions with representatives of the chemists and the Association of British Pharmaceutical Industry about the action called for in the light of that report, had begun.

In Scotland information had been

obtained on the rate of use of fifteen standard drugs and fifteen proprietary drugs in which substantial Exchequer expenditure was involved. That information would be used jointly by the chemists and the Department of Health for Scotland as a basis for pricing discussions.

The Appropriation Accounts show that, in England in 1956-57, the pharmaceutical services cost £49,123,579 (£825,420 less than the total estimate including a supplementary estimate of £7,338,000). In Wales £3,775,541 was spent on the pharmaceutical services (£26,458 less than the total estimate including a supplementary estimate of £441,000). In Scotland, £5,665,977 was spent on the pharmaceutical services (£55,977 more than the total estimate including a supplementary estimate of £310,000).

The report is obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office, price £1.

BELFAST PHARMACISTS HONOURED Dinner to Messrs. Fred Storey and Henry McQuitty

REPRESENTATIVES of the Northern Ireland General Health Services Board, chemists from Northern Ireland and the Republic and members of the public bodies attended a dinner given by the Chemists' and Druggists' Society of Ireland in honour of Mr. Fred Storey, C.B.E., M.P.S.N.I. (president of the Society for forty years), and Mr. Henry McQuitty, M.P.S.N.I. (secretary), in Belfast on January 29.

Proposing the toast of the Pharmaceutical Societies of Ireland and Northern Ireland and the Ulster Chemists' Association, Mr. Storey said he had close connections with all three bodies, and always had a great affection for them. He had been a member of the Council of the Irish Society for six years and had been "in at the birth" of the Northern Ireland Society. Circumstances had favoured him in that he had also been associated with the U.C.A. since its inception and he paid tribute to the work of its secretary, Miss A. E. Strachan.

Responding, MR. H. P. CORRIGAN (vice-president, Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland), said it was a pleasure to represent his Society at the function and to join in the tributes to Mr. Storey and Mr. McQuitty. Not only had Mr. Storey been honoured by pharmacy in the North and South but he had also been honoured and recognised for his work by the state. He was one of the few members of the Pharmaccutical Society of Ireland who, on the formation of the Northern Ireland Society in 1926, had continued to take an active part in the mother society.

mother society.

MR. G. E. MCILHAGGER (president, Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland) said they met to honour a famous man who had given a lifetime of service to his country. Mr. Storey was first mentioned in the Irish Society's Register in 1896 and had since served in every sphere of public pharmaceutical life. In 1903 he assisted in the first recorded x-ray at the Royal Victoria Hospital. Through the years, in war and peace, Mr. Storey had been a leader in every national and civic effort. The history of the Northern Ireland Society was bound up with him. He was a

member of the advisory committee which resulted in the passing of the 1925 Act and the setting up of the Northern Ireland Society. Within a few years he was president of the Society and in 1935 was again president of the Society and also chairman of the successful British Pharmaceutical Conference held in Belfast that year. The surplus from the Conference local funds was used to found the Chemists' Benevolent Fund with Fred Storey as its first chairman. He had been an active committee member ever since. Pharmacy was honoured when he was awarded the C.B.E. ten years ago. In his long life of service no one had done more to cement the friendship between chemists in all parts of Ireland.

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Mr. McIlhagger said that as secretary of the Chemists' and Druggists' Society, Mr. Harry McQuitty was the backroom boy." Behind the president, he had been a stalwart secretary for many years and together their work had forwarded the best interest of the profession.

Mr. A. Templeton (president, Ulster Chemists' Association) also responded to the toast.

Mr. Storey was presented with a television set and Mr. McQuitty with a grandmother clock. Mrs. Storey and Mrs. McQuitty were also presented with gifts. The presentations were made by Mrs. J. Irwin and Mrs. C. Abernethy.

The toast of "our guests of honour" was proposed by Mr. M. Costello (treasurer, Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland) who said that Fred Storey had not only been a prominent figure in Irish pharmacy but a national figure. The toast was replied to by Mr. Storey and Mr. McQuitty.

Mr. H. F. Moore, M.P.S.N.I., proposed the health of the Northern Ireland General Health Services Board and Mr. W. McKinney (chairman, Northern Ireland Hospitals Authority) responded.

The health of the Chemists' and Druggists' Society was proposed by Mr. F. R. Moore. Mr. T. McDowell, M.P.S.N.I. and Mr. J. A. Roberts, M.P.S.N.I. replied. Mr. McDowell presided at the dinner.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR PREPARED DRUGS

Report of a Study Group of the World Health Organisation

THE ever more pressing problem of keeping up to date with pharmaceutical preparations was discussed at an international level in 1956 by a Study Group of the World Health Organisation. The Group included in its members Dr. Harold Davis (chief pharmacist, Ministry of Health). Its report is now generally available as a printed booklet (H.M. Stationery Office, price 1s. 9d.).

As one way of helping countries to keep abreast of current developments in the supervision they must exercise pharmaceutical preparations manufactured or introduced within their boundaries, the group discussed a suggestion to have a service within W.H.O. that would obtain, examine, collate and distribute reference data concerning new pharmaceutical preparations. Those sheets would set out the composition of a new preparation, its active ingredients, contents, field of indications and dosage, clinical and toxicological findings, analytical data, and references to published literature on the subject. They could also include the data and assay methods. other data, constants and assay methods for the pure substance as well as for the pharmaceutical preparations manufactured from the substance. Data concerning side-effects of pharmaceutical preparations would be included when possible, though the Group recognised that it would not be possible in advance of distribution, to gain a complete knowledge of possible side-effects of new preparations. Distribution of the sheets would be to member states, to members of the Expert Advisory Panel on the International Pharmacopœia and Pharmaceutical Prepara-tions and to other specialists and control laboratories.

Future Action

Possible future action by W.H.O. on those lines would, it was thought, be valuable in view of the number (estimated at a few hundred) of medicinal substances introduced every year. So large a number of new substances presented hazards to public health, especially as the time that might elapse between the production of a new substance and its use in therapeutics might be relatively short. Twenty years ago that interval might have been as much as five to ten years; today it could be as little as six months. Keen competition forced manufacturers to produce new pharmaceutical specialities at frequent intervals, and for the protection of the users it was necessary to make arrangements to obtain as quickly as possible a sufficient knowledge of the toxicity, pharmacological and clinical actions, and side-effects of those pre-parations. The Group recognised that ordinarily a manufacturer could not supply complete data without placing himself in an unfavourable position in relation to his competitors.

After a review of the general principles governing the examination of pharmaceutical preparations in the countries represented in the Study

Group (Sweden, the United Kingdom, France, Egypt, Japan, Switzerland, the United States of America, Canada, and India) it was noted that there were many similarities as well as significant differences in the methods employed. Biological products such as sera, vaccines, antitoxins and certain antibiotics were generally manufactured and sold under licence. Excellent methods of examination were in operation by many pharmaceutical manufacturing companies. Most countries exerted some control over pharmaceutical preparations manufactured or introduced within their boundaries. Some countries required all pharmaceutical specialities be registered before sale, as well as demanding that they should conform to labelled claims as to composi-tion and should not be falsely adver-tised. "It would be useful from the standpoint of public health if Government control agencies could be in-formed of all pharmaceutical speciali-ties sold." In a number of countries such information was not available. Most of the systems of examination might be essentially sound, but the means available for putting them into effect were often insufficient in view of the rapidly growing complexity of the task.

Authentic Chemicals Centre

It was noted that a centre for authentic chemical substances being opened in Stockholm, following a recommendation of the Expert Committee on Biological Standardisation. Initially the centre was keeping as stanvitamin-A acetate, digitoxin, ergometrine maleate, œstrone, progesterone, tubocurarine, melarsen. Some of those substances had been received from the Medical Research Council, London, which had kept and distributed them in the past as international bio-logical standards and reference preparations.

The report stressed the difficulties involved in interpreting pharmaceutical translating specific terms into another language. "Drug" and "pharmaceutical preparation" were often used synonymously and it was necessary to give definitions broad enough to include the different types of pharmaceutical preparation and pharmaceutical speciality. The definition of a pharmaceutical preparation which named a drug as a substance in an official list was weak, in that it enabled a manufacturer to circumvent government control.

A most important responsibility of officials who dealt with the control of pharmaceutical specialities was that of ensuring that substances were safe for use. Regulations for the introduction of a pharmaceutical preparation differed from country to country, and no country required all the items in a list which the group thought might be useful to authorities responsible for public health and welfare. There was a need for a meeting to consider how legislation could be simplified.

The Group thought that every label should bear the name of the speciality, its composition, the batch number and the name and address of the manufacturer. For certain products the route of administration should be given. Dosage, physiological incompatibilities, conditions of sale on prescription or otherwise, and storage conditions might also be given. The report stresses the danger of pharmaceutical preparations to children. It notes that the date of manufacture may be misleading, as a stable substance of a certain age may still be perfectly suitable for use, though for certain drugs the expiry date should be given. To facilitate international trade, agreement should be reached on information to be included on the label. Study of the principles for classification of pharmaceutical pre-parations to be dispensed on prescrip-tions or otherwise had been made necessary by the appearance of the antibiotics, antihistamines, cortisone and derivatives, amphetamines and other stimulants. A certain international uniformity in "prescription only" pre-parations was advisable.

Evaluation of new pharmaceutical preparations was difficult, as early reports were generally favourable and it might take some time before side-effects were noticed. It was advisable that imported specialities should be subject to the same specification as those manufactured within the country. An objective attitude should, however, be taken, and medicaments which had been examined by satisfactory methods in another country might be admitted without formalities.

Control Authority

The report concludes with an outline of the organisation of a national control authority. Administration, inspec-tion, collection and scientific services are dealt with and there are sections on equipment of pharmaceutical control laboratories of varying size and the

"The chief of the service in the chemistry and physical chemistry department," the report states, "should the partment of the service in the chemistry and physical chemistry department," the report states, "should be in the service of the service be thoroughly grounded in inorganic and organic chemistry. As a chemist or pharmacist, he should be acquainted with the many fields of analytical chemistry and should also have adequate knowledge of current physico-chemical methods such as polarimetry, potentiometry and spectrophotometry. He must be a specialist in pharmaceutical chemistry and his knowledge should be completed by a good understanding of pharmacology and physiology."

One of the most important functions of the authorities dealing with the examination of pharmaceutical preparations," it is concluded, "is to arrange for the inspection of pharmaceutical manufacturing plants with a view to ensuring that they have proper systems of control over their preparations, beginning with the raw materials, through the production stage and into the final

pharmaceutical form.

LEGAL REPORTS

Addict Sentenced

BEFORE Cheshire Quarter Sessions Appeal Committee, on January 30, Albert Peate appeared for sentence after being found guilty of obtaining food and drugs by false pretences (C. & D., February 1, p. 112). He was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

Theft of Photo Goods

STUART MacLaren, Heywood, Lancs, was, on January 26, sent for trial by Heywood magistrates to the Salford Hundred Sessions at Bolton on February 18, on two charges of breaking in and stealing £105 worth of goods, including four cameras, an exposure meter, etc., from Coyle & Bullen, Ltd., chemists, York Street, Heywood, and a micrometer from an engineer's nearby. A plate-glass window at the chemist's shop was found to have been broken. All the property stolen from it was stated to have been recovered.

Alleged Infringement of Patent

LEGAL proceedings have been commenced in the district court of Iowa, U.S.A., by Benger Laboratories, Ltd., Holmes Chapel, Ches, against Fort Dodge Laboratories, Inc. Messrs. Benger seek an injunction to prevent the American company from infringing their U.S. Patent No. 2,820,740 (Therapeutic Preparation of Iron), issued on January 21. They claim general damages, costs and "such further and other re-lief as may seem proper to the Court." The Benger patent covers iron-dextran complex marketed in most countries of the world under the name Imferon. In the United States Imferon is manufactured under licence by Lakeside Laboratories, Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin, while the veterinary form is similarly licensed to the Armour Laboratories, Inc., Kankakee, Illinois, by whom it is marketed under the name Armidexan.

IN PARLIAMENT

PURCHASE tax anomalies on shaving and nail brushes were among the points raised by Mr. G. D. N. Nabarro on January 28. He asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer for what reasons it had been decided that brushes used for cleaning shoes or teeth should be free of purchase tax, but that brushes used for applying shaving soap or brushing the hair, clothes or nails were liable to purchase tax at substantial rates; and if he would give an assurance that that anomaly would be dealt with at an early date by abolishing the tax on all types of brushes.

MR. HEATHCOAT AMORY (Chancellor of the Exchequer) said that shaving, hair, clothes and nail brushes were taxable as toilet requisites. Tooth-brushes were similarly taxable until 1951 when they were specifically exempted. Shoe brushes were also exempt. The review of alleged purchase tax anomalies was proceeding, but he could not give the assurance asked.

Poliomyelitis

MR. DEREK WALKER-SMITH (Minister of Health) in a written answer on February 1, told Sir F. Medlicott that in view of the absence of any real evi-

dence of risk he hoped there would not be anxiety in seaside resorts as to the effect on health — with particular reference to poliomyelitis — of the discharge of sewage into the sea. By the nature of the investigations being undertaken by the Public Health Laboratory Service it was impracticable to expedite them.

MR. R. THOMPSON (Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Health) in a written answer on February 3, told Mr. S. P. VIANT that damage to health following an injection of Salk or British antipoliomyelitis vaccine was unlikely. Medical officers of health kept records of those injections.

Smoking and Lung Cancer

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL in the Commons on February 3, questioned Dr. C. HILL about Government publicity services and the relationship between cigarette smoking and cancer of the lung. He asked: "In view of the complete failure of Government activities in letting the public know the real facts by passing the whole subject over to the local authorities, will you not reconsider the matter, especially in the light of the further evidence now provided by the British Medical Association?" Dr. HILL said that there had been statements in the House about it, as well as activity by local authorities. The facts on this subject were widely known. It remained for individuals to reach their own decision.

MR. E. C. H. LEATHER asked if it were not so that the facts were still very much in dispute. There were very strong grounds for thinking the Medical Research Council had stuck its neck out much too far. DR. HILL said that the case has been fully established.

COMPANY NEWS

Last year's figures in parentheses

BORAX CONSOLIDATED, LTD.—Mr. N. J. Travis joined the board on February 1.

BRITISH VISQUEEN, LTD. — Mr. A. R. Thom has been appointed managing director of the company in succession to Mr. N. J. Travis who has resigned.

DIXOR, LTD.—Dividend on Ordinary for 1957, is $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. (same). Profit, £14,143 (£13,036). To depreciation, £521 (£575), taxation £8,097 (£7,614).

A. T. STRONG, LTD.. Stow-on-the-Wold, Cheltenham, announce that they do not contemplate any change in the directorate or management of the company following the death of Mr. A. T. Strong, F.P.S., and that the firm will continue under the direct management of Mr. G. M. Muckart, M.P.S.

MIDLAND SILICONES, LTD. — Mr. K. A. M. Barton (sales director) and Dr. R. A. Gregory (production director) have been appointed joint managing directors. Mr. S. Barratt (former managing director) continues to serve on the board as a non-executive director. Mr. Barratt was recently appointed chairman of Albright & Wilson, Ltd., parent company of Midland Silicones, Ltd. (C. & D., December 21, 1957, p. 663).

FARBWERKE HOECHST, A.G., Germany.—Total turnover rose by about DM280 millions or almost 19 per cent. to DM1,760 millions in 1957. Exports accounted for 32·3 per cent. of the turnover, compared with 30·2 per cent. in 1956. The company invested DM225 millions in its plants and production installation in West Germany, and DM26,500,000 abroad. The subsidiary in Brazil started producing and the small dye plant in the United States was expanded. A petrochemical factory was planned to set up, together with Austrian firms, near Vienna. The company has decided to float a DM100 millions loan in 1958. The first issue of DM50 millions is expected to be placed on the market in the first quarter of the year.

ARTHUR BERTON, LTD.—A preliminary statement for the year ended December 28, 1957, shows the share of Lilia-White Associated Companies' profit as £224,912, after expenses (against £213,106). After tax of £121,495 (£116,500), the net profit is £103,417 (£96,606). No final dividend is recommended in view of the offer (C. & D., January 18, p. 60), from Smith & Nephew Associated Companies. But for that offer, state the directors, they would have recommended a 6 per cent. final, to make 22 per cent. Shareholders accepting the offer will be entitled to the Smith & Nephew's 1957 dividend, which, based on the 1956 payment of 12½ per cent., is equivalent to a dividend of 21¼ per cent. on Arthur Berton Ordinary.

BUSINESS CHANGES

MR. J. NOEL DYSON, M.P.S., Horwich, Lancs, has acquired the pharmacy at 3 Station Road, Hest Bank, Lancaster, from Mr. Cyril Nicholl, M.P.S.

WHIFFEN & SONS, LTD., are to concentrate the company's fine chemical production at their Loughborough works, as part of a rationalisation programme. It is expected that the transfer from Fulham will be completed by the end of June.

Appointments

CARLTON LABORATORIES (SOUTHERN), LTD., 2 Norfolk Square, Brighton, have appointed Mr. R. M. Nicholson their medical representative for Sussex and part London area.

BENGER LABORATORIES, LTD., Loughborough, Leics, have appointed

Mr. D. P. Hickey (Northern regional manager in the U.K.) to the position of acting promotion manager for Western Europe. He takes up his appointment immediately.

PFIZER, LTD., Folkestone, Kent, have appointed Mr. F. L.



Mr. D. P. Hickey

Turner, B.Sc., A.R.I.C., to the new post of training and education officer.

DEATHS

ALEXANDER.—On January 20, Mr. William Alexander, 65 Gray Street, Aberdeen, aged seventy-nine. Mr. Alexander qualified as a chemist and druggist in 1902.

BENNETTO.—On January 18, Mr. Barnabas Bryce Bennetto, M.P.S., 1 Broad Street, Padstow, Cornwall, aged

BRISTOW.—At High Wycombe War Memorial hospital, on January 26, Mr. Gilbert Harold Bristow (managing director, G. H. Bristow (Chemists), Ltd.), 214 Desborough Road, High Wycombe, Bucks. Mr. Bristow was a vice-president of High Wycombe camera club and an active member of Trinity Congregational Church. He leaves a widow, son (Mr. Ian Douglas Bristow, M.P.S.) and twin daughters.

- At the Thompson Memorial Home on January 25, Mr. George Bell Busby, late of 155 University Street, Belfast. Mr. Busby qualified as a pharmaceutical chemist in 1926.

BUSBY.—At hospital, on January 27, Mr. William John Busby, M.P.S.N.I., 4 Morningside, Bangor. Mr. Busby was brother of Mr. G. B. Busby whose death is recorded above. They died within forty-eight hours of each other. Like his brother he qualified in 1926. Mr. W. J. Busby was manager of William Dobbin & Co., Ltd., for many years and later went to Canada. On his return he opened his own pharmacy at Duncairn Gardens, from which he retired several years ago.

EVANS.—On January 22, Mr. William Jones Evans, M.P.S., Jasmine Cottage, Mancot, Chester, aged seventyfour.

GILLETT. - At the Royal South Hants Hospital, recently, Mr. Horace G. Gillett, aged sixty-five. In 1932 Mr. Gillett joined what was then known as Lambert Pharmacal Co. as manager and, at the merger with William R. Warner & Co., Ltd., in 1955, he joined the Warner board as director of export operations. Mr. Gillett, who was known throughout the pharmaceutical industry in Britain by the affectionate nick-name of "G," was married but had no family. He was severely gassed while serving in the first world war and for the remainder of his life he was never free from the disability caused by that injury. Though a sick man, Mr. Gillett was at work at the company's new head office building in Eastleigh, Hants, until a few hours before his death.

GREEN.—Recently, Mr. Kenneth Green, M.P.S., 28 Fairway Crescent, Allestree, Derby, aged forty-nine.

GRUNDY. - Recently, Mr. Arthur Grundy, M.P.S., 239 Birches Head Road, Hanley, Staffs, aged fifty-one. After qualifying from Manchester University Mr. Grundy moved to the Potteries, subsequently starting his own business at Sneyd Green in 1938. He leaves a widow, son and two daughters.

HORLICK.—At Warborough, Oxford, on January 29, Sir Peter James Cunliffe Horlick, aged forty-nine. Sir Peter was a grandson of the founder of Horlicks, Ltd., and was a director of that company and chairman of its Australian branch before retiring because of ill health.

MORRIS. — On January 29, Mr. Frederic Oscar Morris, Stowford Grange, Lewdown, Devon, aged sixtynine. Mr. Morris was chairman and managing director of Ambrosia, Ltd.

MOSS.—On January 30, Mr. Stanley Browning Moss, M.P.S., The Avenue, Wimborne, Dorset, Mr. Moss qualified

MOSS.—At the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast. Northern Ireland, on February 1, as a result of injuries received in a fire in the dispensary of his pharmacy at 7 Ormeau Road, Belfast, on the day previously, Mr. Charles Edward Moss, M.P.S.N.I. Mr. Moss (a member of Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland since his co-optation in 1955) was the Society's vice-president, having been elected to the office in October 1957. He gained his qualification in Northern Ireland in 1937. A native of Fintona, Mr. Moss served his apprenticeship with Mr. H. J. Deeny, Divis Street, Belfast. He is survived by his widow and five children. His funeral to Milltown Cemetery took place from St. John's Roman Catholic Church, Belfast, following Requiem Mass. Among the many friends assembled there were Messrs. G. E. McIlhagger, W. Gorman (president and secretary respectively, Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland) and members of Council. The Ulster Chemists' Association was represented by Messrs. A. Templeton (president), J. A. Brown (vice-president), the secretary and members of the executive committee, the Londonderry and Strabane Chemists' Association by Mr. W. Donaldson, and the Associates' Section of the Ulster Chemists' Association by Mr. W. T. Hunter (chairman). Major F. McMullan and Mr. F. R. Moore attended on behalf of Thomas McMullan & Co., Ltd. Mr. J. N. Patterson, pharmacy inspector, was present, and Mr. A. W. Kernahan represented the Northern Ireland General Health Services Board.

PERRINS. — On January 29, Mr. C. W. Dyson Perrins, aged ninety-three. Mr. Perrins' father was a member of the former firm of chemists, Lea & Perrins, who began the manufacture of the famous Worcester sauce. (A history of the company was given in The Chemist and Druggist, June 27, 1936, p. 741.)

PRYCE. — Recently, Mr. Edward Calcot Pryce, M.P.S., Green Dragon Lane, Winchmore Hill, aged sixty-eight. Mr. Pryce was for many years in business in Tottenham High Road and for the past ten years had been in partnership with Mr. Alexander Macphee, M.P.S., who will carry it on without changing the name. Mr. Pryce was a keen golfer, and founded the Spiders golfing society, of which he was president. He was also a prominent Free-

RITSON. — On January 24, Mr. Fletcher Ritson, M.P.S., 22 Argyle Street. Birkenhead, aged sixty-four. The son of a chemist with whom he served

his apprenticeship, Mr. Ritson studied at the London School of Pharmacy and was subsequently in practice in Kensington, London. He went to Birkenhead in 1928. He was president of the Birkenhead Rotary Club in 1953.

SPARGO.—At 17 Bills Lane, Shirley. Solihull, Warwicks, on January 25, Mr. Robert Spargo, Mr. Spargo, who had retired, was thirty-four years with the Chemists Association, Ltd., United Cheltenham. He was primarily a sales representative becoming senior representative and in later years was responsible for the company's publicity department at the Cheltenham factory.

Mr. J. Lovell Goulder (managing director, U.C.A.L., Ltd.) writes: His many friends in the trade will deeply regret to learn of the passing of Mr. Spargo, who throughout his business life has been associated with the firm of U.C.A.L. Known throughout Great Britain, his cheerfulness, joviality and good humour endeared him to all. His colleagues at U.C.A.L. and many proprietors throughout the country will indeed have lost an old friend.

PERSONALITIES

MISS JUNE E. DEARING, 52 Eastwood Road, South Woodford,



Essex, the third young pharmacist who has been selected to Jugo-Slavia for one month to gain experience pharmacy of there (see C. & D., January 25, p. 88, and February 1, p. 114), is the sole retail mem-

College, Miss Dearing found time to attend the 1955 conference of the International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation, Vienna, Austria. She did her post-graduate training with Corfe & Son, Ltd., Maidstone, Kent, and is at present engaged on relief duties with Matthews & Son (Chemists), Ltd., Leytonstone, London, E.11.

MR. A. R. THOM, whose appointment as managing director of British

Visqueen, Ltd. (a subsidiary of Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd.), is announced (see p. 146), joined I.C.I. in 1946, and was associated with the development of polythene film in its early days. has He held previous appointments in I.C.I.'s southern



region sales office in London and with the company's plastics division. Thom comes to his new position from the I.C.I. northern region sales office in Manchester.

MANUFACTURERS' ACTIVITIES

At South Pole.—A live "commercial" on all ITV stations on January 19 emphasised the fact that Ovaltine (A. Wander, Ltd., Grosvenor Square, London, W.1), was the only food beverage carried by the British Commonwealth trans-Antarctic expedition.



£350 FOR AN IDEA: The suggestions award scheme of Glavo Laboratories, Ltd., Greenford, Middlesex, has paid out its highest individual award to date—£350—to Mr. D. G. Ryder, a process worker at the company's antibiotics plant at Ulverston, Lancs. The suggestion, concerning a method of electronic control of foaming during antibiotic fermentation, has led to a considerable saving in production costs, Mr. Ryder has been with the company for ten years. During his previous service with the Royal Navy he worked on radar and electronics. An earlier success in the scheme gained him an award of £35. Mr. Ryder (right) is shown receiving his cheque from Mr. W. B. Emery (Ulverston factory

Plastic Tubes on Show.—Cascelloid Division of the British Xylonite Co., Ltd., 9 Conduit Street, London, W.1, staged an exhibition of their "squeezeto-use" plastic tubes and containers, in their showrooms, January 27–31. Also shown for comparison were similar containers manufactured by associates in many parts of the world. The adoption of those containers for the packaging of pharmaceuticals, liquid detergents, baby powders, adhesives, and for



MISS PEARS 1958: Awarded first prize in a "Miss Pears 1958" competition organised by A. & F. Pears, Ltd., Hesketh House, Portman Square, London, W.I., three-year-old Susan Cadge, Gay Elms Road, Bristol, wins a cheque for £500. Chosen from an entry of about 10,000, she was held by the judges to be the girl who most reflected the freshness and charm inherent in the slogan "Preparing to be a Beautiful Lady."

use even as a disposable enema unit, showed the remarkable progress that has been made since the introduction of containers of the plastic-tube type.

Presentation Luncheon.—More than 250 people attended a presentation luncheon at the Whitehaven, Cumberland, plant of Marchon Products, Ltd., on January 25 to bid farewell to Mr. Frederick Marzillier (until recently vice-chairman of the company and its subsidiary, Solway Chemicals, Ltd.). Mr. Marzillier recently left Cumber-



PARTING GIFT: Mr. Frank Sehon (right), the chairman of Marchon Products, Ltd., and Solway Chemicals, Ltd., Whitehaven, Cumberland, shows 250 guests the silver cigarette box presented to Mr. Frederick Marzillier (left), his friend and husiness colleague, at a recent luncheon to mark Mr. Marzillier's departure from Cumberland to live in semi-retirement in the South of England. The cigarette box was designed in the shape of a Marchon firelighter—one of the first products which the two friends marketed when they started in business in England in 1939. Mr. Marzillier retains his seats on the boards of both companies in an advisory capacity.

land to live in semi-retirement in the South of England. Guests included 200 employees of the two companies as well as leading figures in the public and industrial life of North-west Cumberland. Among those present were Lord Adams (secretary of the Cumberland Development Council); Mr. A. Creech Jones, P.C., M.P. (a director of Marchon Products, Ltd.), and the mayor of Whitehaven, Mr. Thompson Reed. Mr. Frank Schon (chairman of the companies) chose Mrs. H. B. McAleese, first woman to work for Marchon Products, and still with the company, to present Mr. Marzillier with a silver cigarette box. A further presentation of a portrait or bust is to be made to Mr. Marzillier, and the commissioning of one of those is now under consideration. Mr. Marzillier is to retain his seats on the boards of both companies in an advisory capacity.



A DECADE OF SERVICE: Mr. S. T. Tucker, after ten years with Ortho Pharmaceutical, Ltd., High Wycombe, Bucks, receives a "Service pin" from Mr. Reginald George (managing director). Mr. S. T. Tucker is the company's metropolitanarea manager.

HORTICULTURAL NOTES

For Moisture Retention.—The use of a dilute solution of glycerin as a soil additive for moisture retention has been patented in Australia. The dilute solution is carried down by rain to form a moisture-holding zone the depth and width of which depend on the amount of glycerin used and the physical nature of the soil.

Ten-day Fertiliser. — Sangral ten-day fertiliser is issued in two forms: granular (in packets and cartons of seven sizes); and liquid ("general," "tomato special" and "chrysanthemum special," each in bottles of two sizes). Liquid Sangral is available in mixed cases of twelve and twenty-four bottles. The manufacturers are Lasco, Ltd., Carruthers Street, Liverpool, 3.

A New Insecticide.—A new organophosphorus compound, Phosdrin, a product of the Shell Chemical Co., Ltd., 15 Great Marlborough Street, London, W.1, may be used on crops to within three days of harvest. Intended principally to protect tree fruits, Phosdrin may be sprayed on strawberry beds and crops of vegetables in the knowledge that three days after application it has become harmless.

Fungicidal Generator.—For horticulturalists with medium-sized greenhouses, the Fumite division of Waęco, Ltd., High Post, Salisbury, Wilts, have introduced a new intermediate size of Fumite TCNB fungicidal generator. Listed as size 3, it treats the following spaces:— cu. ft.

No. 1 dosage (serious infection)
No. 2 dosage (normal infection)
No. 3 dosage (prevention)
2,250
3,000

"Puffer-pack" Dusts.—Tomlinson & Hayward, Ltd., 51 Newland, Lincoln, have produced a new "3-D" display card which is being supplied free with



every order for Eureka puffer-pack dusts. It is printed in four colours, and fitted with a locking strut.

TRADE NOTES

Now in Tax-free Pack.—Merck Sharp & Dohme, Ltd., Hoddesdon, Herts, announce that their speciality Hydrodyne, in bottle of 100 tablets, is now being issued as a tax-free dispensing pack.

Now in a Flat Pack. — Digestoids, a C.F. line, are now issued by the manufacturers, Meggeson & Co., Ltd., London, S.E.10, in a flat carton (more convenient for pocket or handbag).

Additional Packs. — The Distillers Co. (Biochemicals), Ltd., Broadway House, The Broadway, Wimbledon, London, S.W.19, announce that a foil pack of twelve and a bottle of fifty 125-mgm. tablets of Distaquaine V-K brand potassium penicillin-V tablets are now available.

Change of Strengths. — Boots Pure Drug Co., Ltd., Station Street, Nottingham, announce that, to conform with the recommendations of the forthcoming British Pharmacopæia, Calcipen-V tablets are now available in 60-mgm., 125-mgm. and 250-mgm. strengths.

An "Economy Size." — Genatosan, Ltd., Loughborough, Leics, are market-



ing from February 10 an "economy" size of Sanatogen, as illustrated. The size is intermediate between the standard and family sizes. By February 10, when it becomes available to the public, retail chemists should have received a card giving price details.

Bonus Offers

MOORE MEDICINAL PRODUCTS, LTD., Aberdeen. Strix asthma tablets, trial pack. Twelve invoiced as ten.

CHESEBROUGH-POND'S, LTD., Victoria Road, London, N.W.10. Vaseline hand cream. 3 doz. or more at 9s. 8d. per doz.

W. & F. WALKER, LTD., Kirkby, Liverpool. Rotofresh. 5 per cent. extra on order value £3; $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. extra on £5 order.

VITAMINS, LTD., Upper Mall, London, W.6. Bemax. Thirteen to doz. On minimum of 6 doz. small size or equivalent.

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NEW PRODUCTS AND PACKS

Trial Pack.—Moore Medicinal Products, Ltd., Aberdeen, are currently offering a trial pack of Strix asthma tablets. The pack is an aluminium tube containing ten tablets, issued in a display outer of 1 doz.

Aspirin for Children. — Kaputine, Ltd., Boardman Street, Oldham, Lancs, are launching a new children's aspirin. Topsy, each tablet containing gr. 1.25 of acetylsalicylic acid, flavoured and sweetened. The pack is a bottle of twenty-five.

Threadworm and Roundworm Eradicants. — Carnegies of Welwyn, Ltd., Welwyn Garden City, Herts, are marketing a new anthclmintic elixir, Rhomex, claimed safe against threadworm and roundworm. The packs are a 4½-oz. polythene bottle in display outer of twelve and a 2-litre polythene dispensing pack. A companion product, Rhomex tablets, is issued in bottles of twenty-five, fifty and 100.

Improved Lamb-dysentery Vaccine.— Evans Medical Supplies, Ltd., Speke, Liverpool, 19, announce the availability of a new, improved lamb-dysentery vaccine capable of stimulating in ewes a high level of active immunity against Cl. welchii, types B and D, from a dose of 2 c.c. The absence of bacterial bodies in the vaccine ensures safety, guarantees potency and reduces the risk of local reaction at the site of injection.

Daytime Sedative. — H. R. Napp, Ltd., 3 Clements Inn, London, W.C.2, are launching a campaign to the medical profession to make known their new medicinal speciality, Carmerin daytime sedative, indicated in anxiety states, neuroses, nervous dyspepsia, insomnia and hypertension. Each standardised tablet of the product contains 200 mgm. of acetylcarbromal, 150 mgm. of mephenesin and 0.05 mgm. of reserpine alkaloid. The packs are bottles of fifty and 300 tablets.

Chelated Iron Syrup.—Parke, Davis & Co., Ltd., Staines Road, Hounslow, Middlesex, have produced a new medicinal speciality, Sytron — a palatable cherry-flavoured syrup for treating all forms of iron-deficiency anæmia in children and adults. The syrup contains in each 8 mils (two teaspoonfuls) 380 mgm. of sodium ironedetate (the iron chelate of the monosodium salt of ethylenediamine tetra-acetic acid). equivalent to 55 mgm. of iron. The product has no astringent taste, does not stain the teeth, and in the recommended dosage seldom causes gastrointestinal irritation. Sytron is presented in bottles of 4, 16 and 80 fl. oz.

Quick-acting Analeptic.—Savory & Moore, Ltd., 60 Welbeck Street, London, W.1, are the sole distributors in Great Britain of a new medicinal speciality manufactured by Carnegies of Welwyn, Ltd.: Vandid (vanillic acid diethylamide). Vandid has a stimulant action on the respiratory system, and is indicated in cases of poisoning by barbiturates, coal gas, alcohol, narcotics, etc.; for circulatory support during infectious diseases; or for cardiorespiratory stimulation in cases of neonatal asphyxia or cyanosis. The packs are a tube of twenty 20-mgm. tablets; a drop-

ping bottle containing 15 mils of 5 per cent. oral solution; and a box of six ampoules each containing 5 mils of 5 per cent, solution.

Lavatory-bowl Deodorant.—In Rotofresh lavatory-bowl cleanser, deodorant and disinfectant, W. & F. Walker, Ltd., Kirkby, Liverpool, claim the advantage of a new type of rubber sucker attachment that obviates the disadvantages of earlier types and gives a firm attachment.

Restyled and Reformulated. — Evan Williams Co., Ltd., Aintree Road, Peri-



vale, Greenford, Middlesex, have restyled and reformulated their wave sets, the former blue now containing a hair conditioner, and the former amber pack Dyroxin brightener (changing its colour to "a green glow"). The pack is a display box containing six dozen of each.

"New" Dentifrice.—A reformulated Gibbs dentifrice in three flavours (peppermint, birchmint and improved "standard") is now being issued by the manufacturers, D. & W. Gibbs, Ltd., Hesketh House, Portman Square, London, W.1. Each flavour is in a tin of distinctive colour (blue, green and red respectively) on which a hint of the former "ivory castles" motif is still



retained in the design. A display pack presents the three varieties to the purchaser's view. Chief advantage of the new formulation is that the flavour is uniform throughout the block and does not develop a soapy taste.

BRANCH EVENTS

GRIMSBY

Emancipation in Pharmacy

ONE in every ten pharmacists today is a woman, a position gained only by eighty-three years of struggle, said MISS P. HAYBALL (president, Grimsby Pharmacists' Association) at the Association's recent annual dinner and dance at Cleethorpes. Miss Hayball is the Association's first woman president. "I think the greatest tribute paid to our sex was in 1947 when Mrs. Jean Irving was elected the first woman president of the Pharmaceutical Society," she said.

PORTSMOUTH

£40 For Pharmaceutical Charities

PORTSMOUTH Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society held a very successful dance at Southsea on January 10 which was attended by about 130 members and their friends. Dancing was from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. Mr. N. L. Banks (Branch chairman) welcomed the guests to the function which was held in aid of pharmaceutical charities. Approximately £40 was raised as a result of the effort. Organised by the Branch social committee, Mr. J. C. Bloomfield (social secretary) was M.C.

PRESTON

Short Way Out

Toasts and replies followed each other so swiftly at the annual dinner and dance of Preston and District Pharmaceutical Association and Preston Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society on January 30 that the mayor, Councillor C. Hearn, took his cue from the others. In a 45-second speech he used the word "chemist," because "pharmacist is such a long word in a short speech." Mrs. P. M. Broadbent (vice-president) who coupled the toast "The President and the Pharmaceutical Society" also presented a very delicate water-colour harbour scene by Gabriel Deschamps to Mrs. J. Nixon, wife of the president.



EDINBURGH BRANCH DINNER: Some of the members and guests at the top table on the occasion of the annual dinner of the Edinburgh Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society. The group includes Mr. and Mrs. E. Knott, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Grosset, Dr. D. McCall, Mrs. T. Reid, Lord Wheatley (senator of the College of Justice); and Mr. C. G. Drummond (Branch chairman) and Mrs. Drummond.

MR. J. NIXON (president) responded. "The Mayor and Corporation" was proposed by MR. J. H. HAYHURST.

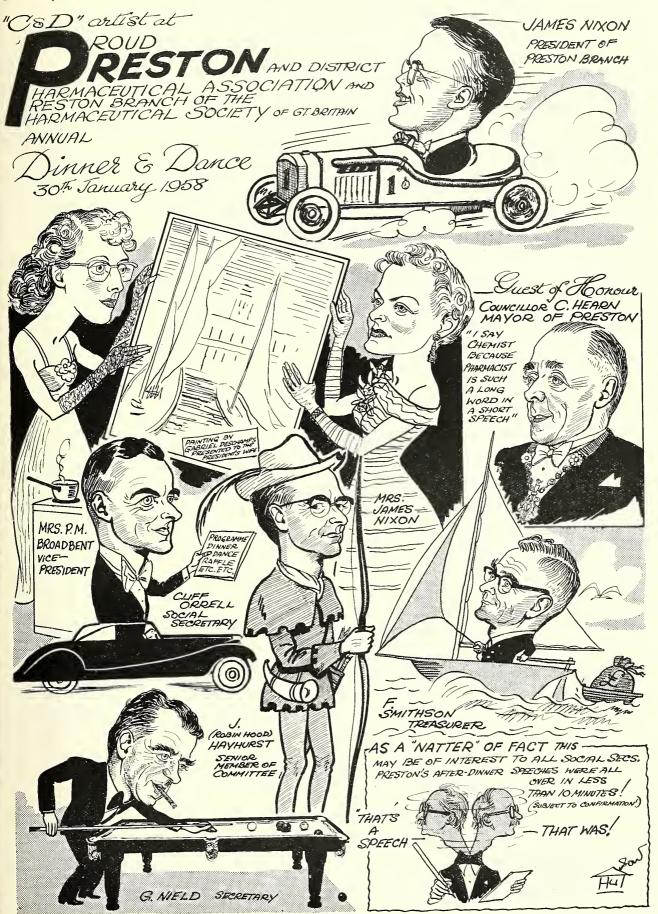
EDINBURGH

A Public Friend

LORD WHEATLEY (a Senator of the College of Justice in Scotland) proposed the toast of "The Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain and the Edinburgh and South-eastern Scottish Branch" at the annual dinner of the Branch held in Edinburgh on January 29. The health of the nation, he said, was a great responsibility which rested in the hands of the twin professions of pharmacy and medicine. The pharmacist was more than shopkeeper; he rendered a great service to the nation and many people looked upon him as guide, philosopher and friend. In the exercise of his work he could bring a great deal of happiness into the lives of the people by the alleviation of pain. "We live in a country and in an era," said Lord Wheatley, "in which the skill and ser-

vices of the healer are available to all. Whether we agree or disagree with the methods by which this has been brought about, we must recognise the great benefit this has conferred upon our people. It is a boon, a blessing and a safeguard." He recalled what he thought was an event unique in British phar-macy, when Mr. Arthur Woodburn was Secretary of State for Scotland in 1948. As Lord Advocate for Scotland he had been present when Mr. Woodburn received a deputation at the House of Commons from the pharmacists. As a result of goodwill a compromise was reached whereupon Mr. Woodburn produced a typewriter and himself typed out the agreement which was signed by those present. He was sure it was the first time a Cabinet Minister had typed out an agreement on the spot. The toast was replied to by Mr. T. Reid (a member of the Society's Council), and Mr. G. Drummond (branch chairman) who presided. Other speakers were Mr. J. B. Dunnett and Dr. G. H. Macmorran.





ORGANIC PREPARATIVE METHODS

Symposium by Chemical Society and Fine Chemicals Group

ORGANISED jointly by the Chemical Society and the Fine Chemicals Group of the Society of Chemical Industry, a two-session symposium entitled " Newer 1 Preparative Methods in Organic Chemistry" took place in London in November 1957. Dr. B. A. Hems (chairman of the Fine Chemicals Group) presided at the afternoon ses-Organic sion, at which three papers were presented. The first paper, by Dr. R. M. EVANS (Glaxo Laboratories, Ltd.) was entitled "Dehydrogenation with Manganese Dioxide.'

Dehydrogenation

THE discovery that vitamin A in petroleum solution is converted into retinene on being shaken with a suspension of hydrated manganese dioxide evoked interest in the use of that compound for dehydrogenating polyene alcohols. It was subsequently shown that $\alpha\beta$ -unsaturated primary and secondary alcohols, dissolved in neutral inert organic media, are converted into the corresponding aldehydes or ketones on being shaken with a suspension of hydrated manganese dioxide at room temperature, no matter whether the unsaturation is in an olefinic, acetylenic, aromatic or alicyclic system. Under the same conditions \triangle^{5} -3-hydroxy steroids yield $\triangle^{4:6}$ -3-ketocompounds, but tertiary alcohols and saturated alcohols are substantially unaffected.

The selective action of hydrated manganese dioxide, and its mild conditions of use, make it particularly suitable for dehydrogenated unstable polyen- and polyenynols and for selectively oxidising allylic hydroxyl groups of polyhydroxy compounds. At higher temperatures (80 to 120°) it is less selective, readily oxidising saturated alcohols, giving lower carbonyl compounds with α-ketols and vicinal glycols, and yielding aldehydes or ketones with α-hy-

droxy acids.

To ensure consistent activity hydrated manganese dioxide, not a welldefined compound, needs to be carefully prepared. It is conveniently made by oxidising manganese sulphate with potassium permanganate in aqueous solution. Precipitated under alkaline Precipitated under alkaline conditions the dioxide is more efficient dehydrogenating αβ-unsaturated alcohols, under acidic conditions more effective for preparing \triangle 4:6-3-keto-steroids. Light petroleum ether, chloroform, benzene and acetone are suitable solvents for reactions at room temperatures; at higher temperatures water or pyridine may be used. The mechanism of the reaction is obscure and further information is needed for understanding it.

DR. H. B. HENBEST came next, with "Oxidation of Tertiary Amines."

TERTIARY amines are readily oxidised by a variety of reagents, the initial products usually being N-oxides, enamines or carbinolamines. Recent work has shown that mercuric acetate in dilute acetic acid is an efficient dehydrogenating agent for many cyclic tertiary amines. The enamines formed

are often best isolated as their crystalline perchlorates, which can serve as starting material for further syntheses such as the preparation of cyano-amines. The side-chain alkyl groups in many mono- and dialkyl-anilines can be oxidised by manganese dioxide. The reactions, carried out by stirring a solution of the amine in chloroform with the dioxide, usually take the course of (a) amide formation, (b) dealkylation with formation of an alphatic aldehyde, or (c) dehydrogenation followed by oxidative cleavage of the resultant enamine. Reaction path (a) is exemplified by the oxidation of dimethylaniline to N-methylformanilide. Oxidation of diethylaniline provides an example of conversion (b). If an alkyl group is flanked suitably by two amine groupings, conversion (c) becomes the main reaction. Good yields of secondary amines and carbonyl compounds are obtained only from the reactions of tertiary amines with N-bromosuccini-mide if appropriate experimental conditions are used.

Organic Oxidations

The third paper at the session was by Dr. R. Slack (May & Baker, Ltd.) and was "Organic Oxidations with Hexavalent Chromium." Four main variants were considered: (a) CrO₃ in acetic acid; (b) CrO₃ in pyridine; (c) CrO₃ in acetone; and (d) tert-butyl chromate. The speaker made special reference to hydrocarbon oxidation in glacial acetic acid at temperatures below 40°. The three modern reagents (b), (c) and (d) have all been introduced into organic chemistry to increase the selectivity of hexavalent chromium. Their preparation and different methods of use were discussed with special reference (so far as (b) is concerned) to the function of pyridine in the base-catalysed decomposition of esters presumed to be intermediates in the oxidation of carbinols to ketones. Tert-butyl chromate, a red liquid readily soluble in chloroform terbutanol, etc., is reasonably stable and has a high degree of selectivity towards alcohols, which are oxidised to aldehydes. Amines can be oxidised to azo compounds or to aldehydes. speaker emphasised the inherent danger of all preparations that involve the use of CrO₃ or its derivatives. At the end of the oxidation process excess ferrous sulphate or oxalic acid should be added to destroy excess hexavalent chromium.

PROFESSOR E. R. H. JONES, F.R.S., presided at the evening session during which three further papers were read and discussed. "Mixed Anhydrides as Synthetical Reagents" was the title of a paper by Professor G. W. Kenner. The purpose of the paper was to discuss the principles governing the use of mixed anhydrides as intermediates during the condensation of oxy-acids with nucleophilic reagents such as amines and alcohols. The speaker focused attention on mixed anhydrides of two oxy-acids which, in some circumstances, have advantages over the

other, more generally useful mixed anhydrides, such as acyl chlorides and azides. During the two stages of the condensation process the oxygen atom, which is shared in the mixed anhydride. is transferred from the first oxy-acid to the second, and therefore the whole process can be conducted in one series of laboratory operations without wasteful isolation of the mixed anhydride. The second partner in the mixed anhydride may be selected from a wide range of oxy-acids so as to give the correct reactivity to the mixed anhydride. Two well established procedures were cited, namely the preparation of alkyl benzyl phosphonates through the mixed anhydrides of monobenzyl phosphonic and diphenyl phosphoric acids and the synthesis of peptides through mixed anhydrides of carboxylic acids.

It was emphasised that mixed anhydride procedures demand good experimental technique, particularly with respect to exclusion of moisture, control of temperature, and timing of the operations. Consequently they should be reserved for special cases in which acyl halides are unsatisfactory.
"Some Reactions between Metal

Carbonyls and Acetylenic Compounds" was read by Dr. M. C. WHITING (Dyson Perrins Laboratory).

Metal Carbonyls

a-Substituted acrylic acids may be obtained by dissolving the substituted acetylene in aqueous ethanolic acetic acid and nickel carbonyl. A vigorous reaction occurs and the temperature rises to about 80°. Excess nickel carbonyl is removed by distillation with ether. Divinyl ketones may be formed as by-products. The yield of the acrylic acid derivative is increased by incorporating nitrobenzene in the reaction mixture.

"Some Applications of Metal Carbonyls in Organic Chemistry" was read by Dr. P. O. LENEL (Imperial Chemi-

cal Industries, Ltd.).

SUSTITUTED nickel carbonyls are useful as catalysts in polymerisation and cyclisation reactions of unsaturated hydrocarbons. Cobalt carbonyl is the catalyst in the industrially important hydroformylation of olefines with carbon monoxide and hydrogen to give aldehydes and, after hydrogenation, alcohols. Cobalt carbonyl is also useful in a number of other carbonylation-type reactions, and the related cobalt hydrocarbonyl can catalyse homogenous liquid phase hydrogenations.

Iron carbonyl can be used in an alcohol synthesis from olefine, carbon monoxide and water.

Manganese carbonyl has recently entered the field of potential catalysts by the discovery of methyl and acetyl derivatives mutually interconvertible; this represents a synthesis of acetic acid from methanol.

Professor Jones closed the meeting by expressing thanks to the speakers, the organisers and the University College authorities.



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"Fair Wear and Tear"

A BELIEF long held among leasehold tenants has recently been exploded in the courts. It is the belief that, under a lease with a "fair wear and tear" clause, the tenant cannot be under any liability so long as he does not do any active damage to the premises.

Many leases contain such fair wear and tear clauses, under which the lessee undertakes to keep the premises or it may be the interior of the premises in good repair and condition, "fair wear and tear excepted." The general notion was that under the clause the tenant would not be responsible for any disrepair not brought about by his own active or wilful damage. In a case in 1957 a tenant had covenanted "to use and occupy the premises in a fair and tenantable manner and to keep the interior clean and in good repair and condition and decorated, except as to dilapidation or damage resulting from reasonable wear and tear." Under a further covenant the tenant had undertaken to permit the landlord to enter and view the condition of the premises and, upon notice being given to do so by the landlord, to carry out any interior repairs and decorations necessary to put the premises in as good a state of repair and condition as at the date the tenancy was granted. For about eight years up to 1957 the tenant did no internal decoration or repairs. His answer to a claim for dilapidations brought against him by the landlord was that all the damage was due to wear and tear, and that as tenant he was accordingly not responsible. The general principle to be applied in covenants of that kind had been expressed in a case decided in 1834, when the court had summed up the effect of such an exception as follows:

What the natural operation of time flowing on effects, and all that the elements bring about in diminishing the value, constitute a loss, which so far as it results from time and nature falls upon the landlord. But the tenant is to take care that the premises do not suffer more than the operation of time and nature would effect. He is bound by reasonable applications of labour to keep the house as nearly as possible in the same condition as when it was demised.

As the result of a decision given in 1937 the importance of those concluding words has been generally lost sight of, and opinion has prevailed that a tenant could sit back and allow the elements to have such effect on the premises as naturally occurs.

The 1937 decision, however, was given in a case in which the covenant that contained the wear and tear exception had been entered into by a landlord, and related to the exterior of the premises, on which the elements were likely to have a much more marked effect

than on the interior. The whole of the disrepair of the walls and roofs was found to be due to the elements. coupled with the absence of any steps by anybody to prevent further progress of the decay, and there was no suggestion of any abnormal use. In the more recent case already mentioned, the Court of Appeal pointed out that the principle enunciated in 1937 could not be applied to other cases, particularly where the covenant related to the interior of the premises. The onus is on a tenant seeking to rely on such an exception to prove that the dilapidations are solely due to wear and tear—and that may be difficult to prove where it is shown that the state of the premises might equally be the result of failure on the tenant's part to observe the positive repairing obligations imposed on him.

In the 1957 case the evidence was to the effect that the tenant had not used and occupied the premises in a fair and tenantable manner and had not kept the interior clean and decorated. It was not demonstrated that all the defects that could be complained of were dilapidations exclusively resulting from wear and tear. The trial judge held that the wear and tear exceptions did not apply in the circumstances, and that the tenant had broken his repairing covenants. With that view the Court of Appeal agreed.

It is thus for the tenant to keep the premises in the repair required by the covenant, particularly where the interior is concerned.

Horticultural Counter

Scope for the pharmacist to extend his efforts on the agricultural and horticultural sides of his business continues and even increases. His training and technical knowledge, if combined with a practical interest in his own garden, provide him with the ideal "know-how' for the expansion of turnover and income. Nature synthesises chemicals with almost careless bounty. The chemical ingredients of plants have fed pharmacists' drug requirements for centuries, and the range of new substances being discovered in the natural world is still extending. Phytopharmacy, we would estimate, is more active today than at any time in history but it is not unlikely that fewer pharmacists than previously find an interest in the subject. On another page (p. 155) we deal with the new plant hormone gibberellic acid. This is the latest of the "new" compounds which nature has synthesised and known for centuries, but which have hitherto been unrecognised by man. There are, of course, many other less complex compounds which the man in the street, requires, and he will continue to welcome advice and background knowledge from his local scientific adviser: the pharmacist.

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Of a novel description—so now
In future our friends we're advising
We're a "manager of merchandising!"

Onward from Galen

A CURRENT CAUSERIE

THE leaflets, mailing-cards, blotters and booklets of pharmaceutical manufacturers are often enough the subject of Press and medical comment, principally on the score of the heavy and constant assault they make upon the doctor's time and attention. The January issue of Print in Britain devotes four pages to an article in praise of the medical propaganda of one such manufacturer for a reason that is at least refreshingly different, namely its typographical excellence. The paper describes the printed matter of Geigy Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., Wythenshawe, Manchester, 23, as "a bold typographic adventure," because it relies on a Swiss "cold, clinical style." using "stark, almost abstract" designs in an essentially typographic page plan. One difficulty that had to be faced was of finding printers in Britain with or prepared to obtain the special Swiss type (Berthold), but the latest report from the company is that "we are gradually building up a stock of Berthold standard type at various printers" and "our printers themselves become interested in the style of our design."

VETERINARY research, the use of animals in experiments, dogs in sputniks and the space-speed journeys of gorillas down rails with split-second stops to obtain data upon interplanetary travel, have all been in the news recently. One of the most recent occasions has been the failure of a couple of sleeping tablets to act upon a sheep dog, causing consternation when the dog bit an aeroplane. The dog's owner, a lady from the United States, has been warned by the Italian airline that, because of her "air-conscious" pet, she is liable to be sued for the cost of petrol jettisoned from the wounded plane, and for nineteen extra meals for passengers delayed by the bite. What happened was that, so soon as the plane became airborne, Maxie the dog, unaffected by the tablets, released himself from his crate in the luggage compartment and severed the cable controlling the tail plane. The air liner shook violently—an outward manifestation. no doubt, of the terror the machine experienced at the unexpected assault. The pilot turned the machine back, took safety precautions by dumping petrol, and landed safely. Mechanics discovered the severed cable, but Maxie was not interested in the accusations of unprovoked assault, for the sleepiness which beset him too late had made him lose interest in even the most appetising aeroplane. All of which shows the desirability of more research in the field of veterinary tranquillisers and sedatives, and especially into the interval at which such drugs begin to take effect on "air-conscious" dogs.

"' Twas two years ago, I mind, when I fust 'eard that the Yanks 'ad took to buyin' their own scents an' so forth, i'stead o' pinchin' their wives'." Thus spoke the Old Man of the Dispensary, and rambling on he commissioned me to send his comments—with his compliments—to the pharmaceutical Press. "Allspice for men!" He breathed heavily. "Ar suppose them Jamaicans is bringin' it ower." 'It's not allspice, it's —," began our Miss Jennings of the Cosmetic Counter, with all the impatience of Youth with Age, "Ssh," I smoothed her over, "Let him get going, and we'll hear something." "The Yanks 'r comin', smellin' ov Ewe de Cologne an' ar don't know what, an' all the trumpets is sounding for 'em on this side." The Old Man was a soldier in the First World War, and even if his knowledge of Atomic Science is hazy—and he's not the only one—he knows his Bunyan. He continued his soliloguy, ringing the changes. "Allspice for men, all men for spice, men for allspice!" Remarkable and dramatic pictures were conjured up as we listened: bearded stevedores walking on undulating planks, bowed down with sacks of spice, spitting professionally right and left without moving the

head, and threatening to strike for spice money. . . . Hordes of old men, complete with spice, standing by sarcophagi in the shadow of gaping pyramids, with piercing fanfares sounding on the (TV) trumpets. . . . The Old Man looked up from the Dispensary sink, heaved a large and incredibly dirty liquid-paraffin bottle into the bin, and finished his monologue. "Arsenic an' owd spice, that's what it oughta be."

ONE of the "best advertisements of the year" selected by Copytaster in the Advertiser's Weekly recently was for a proprietary cough mixture: Galloway's, now marketed by Eucryl, Ltd., Southampton. What seems to have influenced Copytaster most strongly in his choice was the contrast between present and past in the advertising of the product, for he wrote: "Until a month or two ago Galloway's cough syrup would always have been in the short list for the least beautiful." He liked in the revised version a "leisured, quiet, arty" quality which he considers all too rare in modern advertising. For those who may not have seen the advertisement, it consists of an illustration occupying almost half the space and showing a mother giving to her small son in bed in his dark bedroom a spoonful of medicine. Underneath are the headline "Mother was right" and nostalgic text aimed at evoking in the reader memories of his own mother similarly soothing him a generation ago. "In fact, believe it or not, Mother learned about Galloway's from her mother. For over sixty years Galloway's has been the family standby for coughs, etc." We give without any comments of our own Copytaster's reaction to the advertisement. Indeed it is hard for a pharmacist, conditioned to think in terms of Matters of Professional Conduct, to look at such an advertisement without widening the discussion by asking questions on other aspects. Is the product really the same as mother's mother knew? If so, can it stand up to competition, therapeutically speaking, with other remedies (reflecting, some of them, changed ideas on how a cough should be dealt with) that have appeared within recent years? Is not the climate of opinion today in favour of treatment of cough by a doctor and under the National Health Service? Are we looking on at the effort of a manufacturer to maintain or re-establish something that must eventually succumb to changed circumstances and ideas, or are some of the old-fashioned household remedies still the best, and only in need of "leisured, quiet, arty" advertisements to keep them going as strongly as ever? Time will show. In the meantime, other pharmacists may feel prompted to express opinions.

NEW ORAL DIURETIC

THE value of chlorothiazide (Saluric), a new oral non-mercurial diuretic, has been initially assessed in clinical observations and studies (Lancet, 1958. 1. 120). Although the presence of a free SO₂. NH₂ group in the molecule suggest that it would be a carbonic anhydrase inhibitor, its diuretic action is largely due to enhanced excretion of chloride ions with an almost equimolar loss of sodium. Bayliss and others observed twenty-four oedematous patients of whom seventeen had congestive heart-failure and eleven had poor responses to mersalyl. A daily dose of 2 gm. produced clearing of the oedema in fourteen patients. In seven the results were less satisfactory and in three they were poor. Slater and Nabarro relate experience with patients with the nephrotic syndrome, ascites due to portal hypertension and congestive heart-failure. Two patients with the nephrotic syndrome have been satisfactorily controlled for five or six months. Chlorothiazide seems to be well tolerated and gastrointestinal disturbances are unusual. The only side-effect noted was the development of hypokalæmia which was difficult to control with oral potassium supplements.

TOPICAL NOTES FOR THE HORTICULTURAL CHEMIST

GIBBERELLIC ACID

Limited supplies provide the pharmacist with an opportunity to assist in horticultural research

In the horticultural and agricultural research fields at the moment it would be difficult to find a more exciting and interesting substance than gibberellic acid. Superficial study suggests that its potentialities are enormous, though its application to maximum advantage in plant growth has to be confirmed by further research. Limited supplies of the compound are available to persons interested in plant hormones for research purposes, and a booklet has recently been published by Plant Protection, Ltd., Yalding, Kent, which provides a summary of the data so far obtained. The company state in the booklet that persons wishing to carry out tests should "apply to their chemist" to prepare sprays and dilutions if they do not possess laboratory facilities. For the convenience of pharmacists, the following details of the preparation of solutions are given.

Application.

Gibberellic acid is effective in concentrations of 300 parts per million and upwards, and weekly doses over a period may be found more effective than higher but single doses. Soil inactivates the compound, and therefore it may be provided in aqueous solution (applied within twenty-four hours), in alcoholic solution, in lanolin paste or as a powder. Seeds and seed potatoes may be dusted with a 1 per cent. powder based on talc. 100 mgm. of gibberellic acid powder is dissolved in the minimum quantity of alcohol and incorporated with 10 gm. of melted anhydrous lanolin, stirring until cold. The 1 per cent. paste may be applied to the plant. The gibberellic acid absorbed is rapidly transferred by the plant to the sensitive areas.

Aqueous Spray

Aqueous dilutions should be used within twenty-four hours, but stock solutions in dry ethyl alcohol have an indefinite "life." As a guide for general purposes, however, the alcohol mentioned below may be industrial alcohol, surgical spirit, or methylated spirit. In dr. 3-6 of alcohol gr. 4 of the acid is dissolved, using a water bath if necessary. The resulting solution is added to 88 fl. oz. of water to give a solution of 100 parts per million. The following is a dilution table:—

5 fl. oz. to $2\frac{1}{2}$ pints water makes a 10 p.p.m. solution 12 fl. oz. to $2\frac{1}{2}$ pints water makes a 25 p.p.m. solution 26 fl. oz. to $2\frac{1}{2}$ pints water makes a 50 p.p.m. solution

26 fl. oz. to 2½ pints water makes a 50 p.p.m. solution.

The above round figures in imperial measure are approximate, providing practical working solutions. The company's suggestion is that 0.1 c.c. of Agral LN or 0.03 c.c. of Agral 90 per litre may be added as wetting agent.

History

Gibberellic acid first came into prominence in 1926, during investigations by a Japanese plant pathologist (Dr. E. Kurosawa) of a fungus disease that normally attacks rice. Gibberella fujikuroi, the fungus in question, was grown on a nutrient medium for several weeks, after which Kurosawa filtered off cell growth and observed that rice seedlings grown in the filtrate reacted with abnormal growth. The effect paralleled the growth that occurred when a seedling was attacked by the fungus in the field.

Japanese development of work on the findings of Kurosawa was slow, and it was not until 1939 that Yabuta and Sumiki isolated a crystalline material which they termed gibberellin. Subsequent investigation has shown that that

substance was a mixture of compounds. Work upon those plant growth substances has since been taken up independently in Britain and the United States. Eventually the British workers were the first to successfully isolate pure gibberellic acid, and their results were published in 1955. In the same year American workers published their work. Attention was then diverted, both in Japan and in this country, to establishing the molecular formula of the acid. Synthesis upon a commercial scale has not yet been established, but the compound as issued at present is a white crystalline solid with the formula C₁₀H₂₂O₆ and a melting point of 223-35° C. It is soluble in 200 parts of water and has a stability in aqueous solution at 20° C. for at least twenty-four hours. A new chapter in the chemistry of plant hormones was started by the elucidation of the structure of the gibberellins; research is not confined to chemical structures analogous to indoleacetic acid.

Gibberellic acid

Gibbcrellic acid has been defined as a growth regulator, and its effect on growth has been associated with cell elongation, though in different circumstances cell proliferation also occurs. Elongation of the plant stem and sometimes of the leaf stalks is outstanding, and with grass crops the dry-weight yield has been observed to be significantly increased. Dwarf plants which have been treated have shown a greater response than normal plants but the seeds from treated plants have continued their dwarf habit. This may throw a sidelight upon dwarf mutants and indicate that their size is determined by their inability to synthesise within their structure a plant growth hormone. Apical dominance is characteristic of many plants and is observed in roses but after treatment some plants have produced long side shoots. The third effect is the induction of flowering. Flowering biennials respond as though the gibberellic acid has replaced the normal vernalisation or, where the plant demands a specific day-length, flowers have been induced. Fruit set has shown increases but the fast growing early dwarf varieties appear to respond whereas later varietics have failed in this respect. Secd germination may be accelerated with the production of normal stems but soaking in solution stronger than 50 p.p.m. is capable of producing stem elongation. Lastly corms, bulbs and tubers react earlier and potatoes have shown similar results but the reaction of this range of vegetative organs has not been explored to any great extent. The compound appears to have a low toxicity, as borne out by the apparent lack of effect produced by a dosage of 1 gm. per kilo of bodyweight administered orally to rats.



Above: Begonia, showing treated and untreated plants. Note stein development but apparent unaltered leaf area, Below: Saintpaulia. The untreated plant is on the left and the treated plant on the right. [Illustrated by courtesy, Drug and Chemical Exports

Experimental work

A wide range of plants have already been tested, mainly with the intention of discovering the commercial possibilities of gibberellic acid with various crops. Flowers, corms, tubers, shrubs, trees, vegetables, fruit, grass and agricultural crops have been listed, but the amount of work upon vegetable drugs is limited. Biennials flowering in the second year may be encouraged to flower and seed in their first year (Hyoscyamus niger has been shown to follow that pattern). The application to flowering biennials takes advantage of the "substitute vernalisation" which the acid causes and was illustrated in the effect produced on Elberta peach trees. From previous studies it has been established that the resting period of those trees was broken after 950 hours of a temperature of 45° F.; it was therefore of maximum interest to discover that trees (subject to only 164 hours below 45° F.) treated with 1,000 and 4,000 p.p.m. spray solution produced small green leaves after fourteen days. One effect of that work would be the greater variety of peach trees which could be grown in a southern area. At the moment, peach crops are taken from a limited variety of trees requiring less stringent cold conditions to bring about vernalisation. Alternatively out-of-season crops may be possible in colder regions by growing under glass and displacing vernalisation by sprays. Xylem and phloem development in apricot shoots and branches have shown that the cambium is capable of stimulation into cell division, thereby producing a horizontal as well as a vertical growth. Conditions for cambial mitosis require further investigation. In the latter effect upon the apricot, it was the spur shoots which demonstrated increase in girth, and mitosis appears to have been weighted heavily in favour of the production of xylem. To obtain parallel development of phloem, it may be necessary to vary the conditions of application of the spray at the period at which the spur terminal buds have entered their resting phase.

Several years are expected to pass before full analysis of the data will allow exact forecast of effects in particular plants in specific conditions, and for that reason, no doubt,

the fact that supplies are now available to research workers should hasten the issue of the chemical. The promise that is already indicated from current work has no doubt encouraged research into the large-scale synthesis of the acid.

Pharmacists who may be interested in the compound and have the facilities to co-operate in the extension of such research work should write to Plant Protection, Ltd., Fernhurst Research Station, nr. Haslemere, Surrey.

THE WHOLESALER IN PHARMACY

Economic and ethical aspects of his relationship to his chemist customer

BY A WHOLESALER

ROM time to time one wonders what, in these changing times, is the position of the wholesaler in modern pharmaceutical business. It has been stated that the wholesaler is a vital link between the manufacturer, the retailer and the public, particularly in regard to prescription requirements. It is also an undisputed fact that many manufacturers supplying the day-to-day requirements—out-side National Health Service needs—of retail pharmacy are increasingly anxious to supply direct to the retailer and cut out the wholesaler.

Some manufacturers, and not a few retailers, adopt the attitude that it is the function of the wholesaler to supply in small quantities when, for one reason or another, the retailer does not wish to buy direct. But when all is said and done the wholesaler, if he is to stay in business, has to find ways and means of counteracting the steadily growing overheads that have to be paid out of a fixed rate of profit. There are only two ways in which that can be done: by increasing turnover without materially increasing overheads; or by finding more economical ways of conducting his business.

Every wholesaler who has built up a reasonably sized business has done so on SERVICE, and it is doubtful if any other distributive business in this country today is able to call on such prompt and comprehensive service as can the retail chemist. Broadly speaking there are two categories of wholesalers to chemists—those who endeavour to give an all-round service, and those who have picked out the lines in which they are prepared to do business. Fortunately for all wholesalers a sufficient number of retailers do appreciate the efforts made to give a good service and do endeavour to work in with the wholesaler to ensure getting that service.

There is, of course, the vexed question of supplying only to pharmacists. That is a two-way consideration. Most reputable wholesalers have found it good business to restrict their activities to pharmaceutical outlets, but it is just a bit galling, when it occurs, to find that retailers are quite prepared to buy from wholesalers who make no pretence of restricting their business to pharmaceutical outlets, but who give hidden discounts in the way of goods.

As in most walks of life it is the small things that irritate most—here are just a few which we wholesalers find surprising:—

Return for credit of goods not supplied by the wholesaler to whom they are returned.

Cancellation of special orders because of the length of time taken to execute them (though that is completely outside the influence of the wholesaler, and though no inquiry is made as to whether goods will be left on wholesalers' hands).

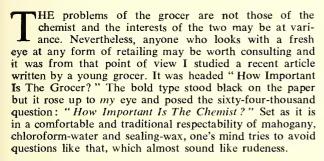
The keeping of seasonal goods for several months and then returning them for credit marked "Not as ordered," etc.

Perhaps one might be excused for suggesting that the code of ethics should be extended to dealings with whole-salers!

OPEN SHOP"

UNSCRIPTED COMMENTARY ON SPECIAL PROBLEMS OF THE PHARMACIST IN RETAIL PRACTICE

E. C. TENNER



Faith in Ourselves

See what the young grocer said—"If we don't have faith in ourselves, how can we expect the Press and the public at large to respect us?". I have often expressed an exactly similar sentiment. But this is not the time for sentiments: we must force our minds to answer the key question and then act accordingly. In retail trade it is later than many of us think. Our customers will suit themselves regardless of any old-fashioned ideas of loyalty to their "family chemist." They cannot afford to do otherwise. Our competitors compete with us wherever they can best grab a share of our livelihood. Even our suppliers are, quite understandably, concerned to trim our margin of profit rather than their own.

So how important is the chemist? The answer is quite simple—only as important as medicine. Parliament and the public know that the chemist understands more about medicines than any other shopkeeper and, because of that, they will use his shop for National Health Service dispensing, medical supplies, general drugs and proprietary medicines. It is true to say that Parliament is at present in process of deciding whether the principle "all medicines ought to be distributed only by chemists" is a principle that is good for the public. The point of all this is that the only importance a chemist, as such, has to the public is derived from his specialist knowledge of medicines. Beyond that he is just another shopkeeper.

The code of pharmaccutical ethics does not allow more than very restricted advertisement of the purely pharmaceutical department of a business. No inducements may be held out to attract prescriptions. The dispensary, the dispensed items, and the way the customer is dealt with, must speak for themselves. The policy of the Pharmaceutical Society therefore forces the chemist to exercise his initiative upon general retailing, because it is an economic fact that a chemist cannot live simply by dispensing and selling medicines. To expand his turnover and pay his overhead expenses he must sell other things than medicine—and in comparatively large quantities. Those other things do not have any influence upon his importance as a chemist, though he has been selling some of them (cosmetics, and cameras and photographic films) so long that he feels he has a prior right to sell them. He sells those side lines then in fierce competition with other traders who are not always nonpharmaceutical but who may even be cosmetic or photographic specialists. That is plain retail trading. The young grocer says: "The fundamental principle of all retailing is to have what the customer wants, when she wants it, where



she wants it, presented in the best possible way. . . . Different people have different wants, so businesses are built to fill those not sufficiently served by existing shops." I agree with him. So if it is not medicine the customer wants there is nothing to bring her into your shop to spend her money unless she knows you will fill her needs better than your competitor.

In building my business there are four factors which I can influence. All are equally vital to comfortable solvency. I list them, but not in order of priority: the merchandise, the price, my representative at my counter, my shop. If I want to keep abreast of change, and at least level with my competitors, I must keep those factors under constant review, followed by action where needed.

What about merchandise? What indeed? Sixty or seventy years ago our merchandise was kept in about a gross or two of assorted "shop rounds" on mahogany shelves round the shop and dispensary, and in specially made nests of three or four dozen mahogany drawers. There were a few sacks and barrels in the stockroom, a handful of secret proprietary remedies, and a glass case or two of toilet luxuries and perfumes. The stock items remained the same year after year, and it must have seemed that retail pharmacy would and should go on like that for ever. We have all been living through the changes, and if only we understand them and realise their purport we can meet and profit by them. We have reached the state when an overnight television advertisement may bring us customers next morning asking for a product we may not even have heard of. If we disappoint our customer she will then probably obtain her requirement from our more enterprising competitor and register an impression that our stock is not exactly up to date. We are therefore forced so to organise our buying policy that new lines are always available in addition to the older favourites. That means, first, that the chemist must watch his morning post, carefully filing for use all the sales information that comes to him. He must watch the pharmaceutical Press with a lynx eye. Only a fool will leave his trade periodicals unopened. Having done all that, he must have the efficient co-operation of a firstclass wholesaler, because he will always require urgent and experimental quantities. To keep control over stock bought he must have stock books kept to record orders and dates. This business must be approached scientifically. If the chemist is to have any leisure at all he must devise a buying system that will reduce his problem to rule-of-thumb routine. That can be done, but initial thought and effort are required and that is what most chemists naturally will put off exercising until they realise the urgent need for it.

Avenues in Need of Exploration

Assuming now that the merchandise is in the shop. Its numbers and variety are legion indeed. How hopelessly useless are the out-of-date mahogany shelves and drawers! They hide and spoil the merchandise! The "shop" factor is now obtruding into our field of consideration, and what about prices and sellers? There is a great deal more to understand about them that we chemists cannot afford to ignore. I, at any rate, shall go on with this valuable "stocktaking." The article by the young grocer has certainly opened up some important avenues to explore.

Correspondence

Letters when received must bear the name and address of the sender, not necessarily for publication. The Editor does not hold himself responsible for the views expressed.

Aluminium Tubes

SIR,—I was surprised to read in your columns (C. & D., February 1, p. 125) that aluminium collapsible tubes with elongated nozzles are claimed as a new development. I would point out that we have been supplying tubes of that type for ophthalmic and veterinary purposes as a standard line since the early part of 1957. We have supplied many thousands of gross to well-known pharmaceutical houses, and our customers have expressed complete satisfaction with the tubes which, as mentioned in your publication, are considerably cheaper than pure tin tubes.

FLEXILE METAL Co., LTD., J. A. HALSBY, Director Stevenage, Herts

Better Profit Margins

SIR,—In your issue dated June 22, 1957, you published a letter referring to profit margins on cameras to be supplied against a cigarette manufacturer's coupons. The cameras were to be supplied at half the chemist's usual profit and my letter condemned the practice. Today it is with pleasure that I write, having been informed by the same company that they are instituting a scheme for increasing profit margins, together with an extended credit scheme which, in my opinion, will help photographic dealers to keep good stocks whilst spreading the capital outlay over the peak cases. Let a see that he let be l the peak season. I am sure that helpful schemes of this nature will earn the co-operation of retailers much more than ill-advised coupon schemes, and I can only hope that other manufac-turers and agents will follow this good example rather than be influenced by the earlier malpractice,

G. BIRD, Welwyn Garden City

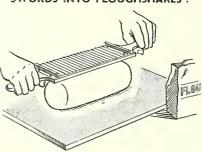
Material Available for Tests

SIR,—In the course of some investigations into Dr. Lahkovsky's theories on the electrical charges within the living cell, a private, non-commercial research group has discovered something that may be of some interest to the cosmetic industry. Various plants were irradiated and the juice extracted for microscopic and electronic investigation. The juice was obtained by the rather primitive method of mincing and squeezing the resultant pulp through a jelly bag. few days later it was noticed that the skin on the hands of the young woman who did the pulping and squeezing was astonishingly smooth and velvety and free from blemishes, her hands normally being rough-skinned and blemished. Trials were made on the complexions of various wives and other female volunteers, and there is no doubt now that the substance has an almost sensational rejuvenating effect on the skin. The consensus of opinion of our female "guinea-pigs" is that it does "all those things the cosmetic advertisements say they will do but never seem to do in practice." So far as may be judged,

the substance is completely bland and harmless, even to the eyes and mucous membranes, though it is slightly astringent. The plant in its wild state is not very plentiful. It is not listed in the British Pharmacopæia, but no doubt could be cultivated in quantity if necessary. A small amount of the extract is available, free of charge, for experimental purposes and we are prepared to co-operate with any responsible organisation that cares to pursue the matter more fully.

PETER RANTELL
The Studio, Mill Street,
Dalbeattie, Kirkcudbrightshire

SWORDS INTO PLOUGHSHARES?



Amende Honorable!

SIR,—I hope others will be encouraged, as I was, to find that, even among hard-headed business men in this mad world, there is still time for kindness and humour. I had occasion to examine my stock of Kest tablets when one packet had been returned by a customer with a complaint. I found them all damp and unfit for consumption. I packed them up with a covering letter to Eucryl, Ltd., Southampton, from whom I had obtained the tablets, asking for replacement or credit, pointing out that I considered the nature of the tablet called for better packing, especially for seaside sale. As the packet sent was not the first I had returned I was a little annoyed and wrote at the foot of the letter:—

KEST as now dressed are a perishing pest. Imagine my surprise to receive a letter in a few days time, informing me that Messrs. Eucryl were no longer handling the product. To help me they had repacked and forwarded the tablets to Bangor, co. Down, Northern Ireland. I said goodbye to my credit or exchange of stock, but how kind of Messrs. Eucryl to repack and forward at their expense! In less than a week, came a large parcel from Bangor, with the enclosed letter:—

DEAR MADAM,
Upon your request
We exchanged the Kest
Which failed the test.
Now we are pressed—
Positively obsessed—
That we shall be blessed
With forgiveness, lest . . .
We cannot rest
And lose our zest,
So please do your best.

P.S.—We risk becoming a bore
By enclosing samples five score.
How can we do more?
KEST, LTD.

We all had a good laugh, and the stock was exchanged plus two extra packets for postage and 144 samples.

EDNA EVANS Weymouth, Dorset

Plastic Hot-water Bottles

SIR,—We have read with great interest and appreciation the article in your est and appreciation the article in your issue of January 25 (p. 84) concerning, among other things, the report on polythene hot-water bottles published by the Association for Consumer Research in their journal Which. As that report bears a reference to one of our products (the Suba plastic hot-water bottle) we are naturally more than interested, and though we appreciate that our product has been given qualified approval by the Association, we feel that a few more details of our own tests may be of interest to your many readers. As one of the largest hot-water bottle manufacturers in this country today (in our Suba Seal range of rubber hot-water bottles there are actually twenty-seven different types) we can claim at least a reasonable understanding of the technicalities of hot-water bottle manufacture. It is our considered opinion that only the best rubber hotwater bottles manufactured to British Standard Specification 1970 can have advantages over plastic hot-water bottles. Conversely we claim that the Suba plastic hot-water bottle has advantages over a rubber hot-water bottle. It becomes a question of choice by the public. We do, however, emphatically state and believe that plastic hot-water state and believe that plastic hot-water bottles are here to stay, and in point of fact we shall be releasing five different types during 1958. Under separate cover we are forwarding to you a sample of a Suba plastic bed-airer shortly to be released. The airer is designed to replace the stone hot-water bottle, and it possesses all the advantages and none of the disadvantages of tages and none of the disadvantages of that type. Principal features are lightness in weight, greater heat radiation and, of course, that it is unbreakable. I would welcome any tests you may care to make on the bed airer or on the Suba plastic hot-water bottle, which I may mention is the result of extensive research both by the material manufacturers (who have have guaranteed the performance of the material with high temperatures), by our own laboratory, and in normal daily usage.

WILLIAM FREEMAN & Co., LTD.
S. W. FULLER, General Sales Manager

[Mr. Fuller sent with his letter a detailed report on the Suba plastic hotwater bottle, including laboratory tests carried out by the manufacturers. They showed that the bottle suffered no softening after 100 hours' continuous contact with steam; no distortion after forty-eight hours subjection to ultraviolet light, and no deterioration in a "rapid-ageing" test.—EDITOR.]

SYNTHETIC ANALGESICS

Importance of spatial configurations discussed at Dartford

"SYNTHETIC Analgesics, Including Recent Developments" was the subject of an address given by Dr. M. J. HARPER to a joint meeting of the Dartford and District Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society and the Kent sub-section, Royal Institute of Chemistry, recently.

Dr. Harper enabled members to view his work in perspective by dealing briefly with some of the more important classes of analgesics, including morphine and its derivatives, the morphinans, pethidine-type compounds, methadone and related compounds, and the dithienyl-butenylamines. He stressed the importance of spatial configuration and emphasised that, where optical enantiomorphs had been prepared, one was always more active than the other of each pair and often the whole of the activity of the racemic mixture resided in one isomer. The significance of the difference in activity of optical isomers in drug-receptor mechanism had only become established when the configuration of the isomers came to be elucidated, no light being thrown on the relative arrangement of groups about the asymmetric carbon atom by the actual sign of rotation.

Dr. Harper showed how (-)-methadone, (-)-3-dimethylamino-1:1-diphenylbutyl ethyl sulphone, (+)-dimethylthiambutene and (+)-diethylthiambutene all possessed identical configurations related to D-(-)-alanine.

The speaker discussed the use of rotational displacement measurements as a means of determining configuration, and demonstrated the inapplicability of Freudenberg's displacement rule and Leithe's rule to certain systems. He showed, however, by a study of molecular rotations in various solvents, that the configuration (-)-phenadoxone was related to that of (-)-methadone. A third method of determining configuration, by the use of stereo-selective absorbents was outlined, and the method was illustrated by experiments with quinine-type alkaloids.

The speaker discussed the factors that might be involved in the different biological activities of isomers, and from a consideration of analgesics and their antagonists developed the ideas
(a) that a specific receptor site was involved in analgesic and anti-analgesic activity, and (b) that stereochemical factors were of great importance.

Morphine and the morphinans, both with rigid structures in which the relationship of the various asymmetric centres has been established, were used by Dr. Harper as models for a consideration of the most probable surface for presentation to a receptor site. synthetic analgesics, such as methadone, pethidine, \propto and β -prodines, and the thiambutenes were considered in that context. From them, and from a consideration of chemical reactions, dissociation constants and infra-red data, Dr. Harper concluded such compounds in solution would have such a conformation that they would fit on the proposed receptor site. He discussed

the steric requirements about the anionic site of the analgesic receptor, and showed that a relationship exists between analgesic activity and the width of the basic group in methadone and thiambutene-type compounds.

Features thought to confer analgesic activity at least equal to that of pethidine were summarised as (1) a basic centre that is ionised, or partially ionised, at physiological ph, so as to associate with an anionic site in the receptor surface; (2) a flat aromatic structure in the molecule to allow a strong collective van der Waals' force bonding to a flat portion of the receptor reinforcing the ionic bond; (3) basic group and the flat structure contrived to be in almost the same plane by holding a completely rigid or a slightly less rigid molecule in the correct configura-

tion by steric or other constraints; and (4) a suitably orientated projecting hydrocarbon moiety to form, with the basic centre and flat aromatic structure, a three-dimensional geometrical pattern.

Although "fit" at a receptor site was conceived as an essential part of the sequence of events resulting in biological response, the speaker emphasised that the "fit" did not of itself necessarily mediate an analgesic response. Dr. Harper put forward the hypothesis that, after fit at the receptor surface, an oxidative demethylation was involved, resulting in the formation of a norcompound, and that that nor-compound then took part in a further sequence of reactions resulting in the biological response. The evidence substantiating such a hypothesis was discussed.

Mr. D. Stevenson (chairman, Dartford Branch) presided. A vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by MR. H. G. MURFITT and seconded by MR. J. SIMPSON.

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES

Innovations in medicine, pharmaceutics, horticulture, etc.

Detecting Heart Murmurs

A heart sound pickup that detects chest wall movements as small as onehalf billionth of an inch is being used in heart research carried on in a soundproof room at the Medical College Hospital, Charleston, South Carolina, to 'hear" murmurs inaudible to conventional recording instruments. Known as a capacitance heart sound pickup, the device converts an automotive engine pressure measuring technique into a supersensitive research "tool" for studies of faint heart murmurs that may reveal presence of defects of the heart's valves at an earlier stage than was possible before.

Broad-spectrum Anthelmintic

A tcam of nine physicians and researchers in a study conducted among more than 400 persons, which was sup-ported in part by the National Insti-tutes of Health of the U.S. Public Health Scrvice, has announced that a single drug, dithiazanine, has been found to be effective against five different types of human worm infestation. The drug is a blue powder which is insoluble in water. Because it is not absorbed readily from the stomach it is administered in tablets designed to delay release of the compound until after passage through the stomach. Its side-effects are claimed to be few. Treatment for the various infections varies in length from three to twenty-one days.

Detection of Mercury Poisoning

Research workers at the Brooklyn Jewish Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, have devised a method of detecting mercury poisoning in industrial workers. The method was evolved after the study of chemicals that are used to convert mercury present in urine into a form that could be easily recognised. Use of the agents, which eliminate the old time-consuming process, make it possible to run as many as twenty to thirty tests in a single day as compared with approximately six tests possible by ordinary methods. Those new lists ordinary methods. should provide a valuable tool to study

the way in which mercury assists the kidney in excreting water, when mer-curial diuretics are given to patients with ædema, particularly in congestive heart failure.

Treating Geranium Plants

Diseased geranium plants can be cured and restored to normal condition by chemotherapeutic treatment with readily available chemical compounds, according to E. M. Stoddard, a plant pathologist and botanist at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, New Haven, Connecticut. He used a mixture of oxyquinoline sulphate $\frac{1}{3}$ oz. and streptomycin sulphate 1/4 oz. in 10 gall. of water. The mixture was applied as a soil drench. Following five applications at weekly intervals, about 80 per cent. of the diseased plants recovered and regained normal condition. Only about 10 per cent. of the untreated diseased plants survived. Cuttings made from the treated plants showed no evidence of stem or root rot.

Blood Test for Myocardial Infarction

A laboratory blood test that aids in the diagnosis of myocardia has been announced by a group of Detroit, Michigan, research workers. According to Mr. R. P. MacDonald, Dr. John R. Simpson and Mr. Egon Nossal, all of Harper Hospital, Detroit, determination of lactic dehydrogenase (LDH) levels in the blood stream may be used to aid the diagnosis of myocardial infarction. Lactic dehydrogenase is increased in the blood stream after muscle cell destruction. The new test is claimed to be especially useful when an electrocardiograph fails to give a clear picture of heart damage or when complications occur after myocardial infarction.
While several other diseases cause increased LDH levels, generally they are not confused with acute myocardial infarction because of other diagnostic signs. Some diseases which show the same symptoms as myocardial infarction do not cause rises in the LDH levels. Thus the LDH test may be used in the differentiation of such illnesses.

TRADE REPORT

The prices given are those obtained by importers or manufacturers for bulk quantities or original packages. Various charges have to be added whereby values are in many instances augmented before wholesale dealers receive the goods into stock. Crude drugs and essential oils vary greatly in quality and higher prices are charged for selected qualities.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 5: There was no easing in the short supply position of IPECACUANHA although one source suggested that Costa Rican might be available at 78s. per lb., c.i.f. Firm shipment offers were also absent for Cape Aloes, Peru Balsam and Papain.

A limited quantity of broken Cassia BARK came on offer on the spot, and quotations for new crop Jamaican GINGER were received at 490s. per cwt., c.i.f., although no business was reported done at that level. MENTHOL continued a weak market with most varieties down by sixpence per lb. TURMERIC lost one shilling per lb., for shipment. Among AROMATIC SEEDS Cyprian Cumin was dearer for shipment. With lower prices at origin for AGAR, spot holders reduced their duty-paid prices by threehalfpence per lb.

With the exception of BERGAMOT and ORANGE oils most ESSENTIAL OIL prices were weak. Lower per lb. were: Anise, Formosan Citronella and LEMONGRASS (each by three-halfpence); Chinese Peppermint (by threepence); Bois de Rose (by ninepence); Patchouli (by one shilling); Celery Seed (by 2s. 6d.); Coriander and Palmarosa (by 5s.). Imported Ginger (Jamaican) was also quoted lower at 135s. per lb., down 32s. 6d.

AMIDOPYRIN was increased by about 1s. 3d. per lb., but PHENAZONE (which usually changes at the same time) remained unaltered. A number of IRON salts are dearer by about 2s. 6d. per cwt. Santonin was lower.

Pharmaceutical Chemicals

AMIDOPYRIN.—Dearer, Minimum rate is 25s. 2½d. per lb. with usual differentials for small lots.

ASPIRIN.—5-cwt. lots are 4s. 9d. per lb.; cwt., 4s. 11d. The CALCIUM SALT is 12s. 6d. per lb.

BENZAMINE. — In 16-oz. lots lactate is 15s. 3d. per 16s. 3d. per oz. 3d. per oz. and HYDROCHLORIDE,

BENZOIC ACID.—1-cwt. lots are 2s. $11\frac{1}{2}$ d. per lb.; the Sodium salt is 2s. 9½d. per Îb. in 1-cwt. lots.

BENZYL BENZOATE. - 1-ton lots of B.P. grade are 4s. 6d. per lb.

grade are 48. od. per lb.

Borax. — The following rates operate until February 17 when they are being replaced by higher schedules:—B.P. grade for quantities of 1-ton and upwards: Granular, £54; crystals, £56 10s.; powder, £57 10s.; extra fine powder, £58 10s. per ton. Prices of commercial range from £44 to £46 10s. per ton, as to type and packing. Dehydrated borax is £66 per ton in paper-lined hessian bags or £65 in paper in paper-lined hessian bags or £65 in paper bags; carriage paid in Great Britain. Surcharges for smaller quantities: Less than 1 ton but not less than 5-cwt., 1s. per cwt.; 3-cwt., 2s.; 1-cwt., 3s.

Boric acid.—Dearer from February 17. Present prices (per ton) for 8.P. grade in quantities of 1 ton and upwards are as follows:—Granular, £87 10s.; crystals, £94 10s.; powder, £92; extra-fine powder, £94 per ton, in lined hessian bags, carriage paid in Great Britain.

CARMINE. — Price is 100s. per lb. for

CHALK. — Prepared powder, B.P., is £22 per ton for minimum 1-ton lots ex works. CHINIOFON.—B.P. 1948 is 67s. per kilo; 50-kilo lots, 62s. 6d. per kilo. The sodium derivative (B.P. 1953) is 99s. 4d. and 92s. 9d. for the same quantities.

Chlorbutol.—28-lb. lots are quoted at 103. per lb.

CHLOROFORM.—1-cwt. lots in winchesters are 3s. 6d. per lb.; 56-lb., 3s. 6½d. In drums, prices are 3s. 4d. and 3s. 4½d. per lb. respectively.

DIPHENAN.—Prices range from 55s. 3d. (56-lb.) to 63s. (1-lb.) per lb.

GALLIC ACID.—B.P.C. is 9s. 7d. per lb. for 1-cwt. lots. Smaller lots up to 10s, per lb. for 14-lb. lots. Technical grade is 8s. 10d, per lb, in 1-cwt. lots.

GLYCEROPHOSPHATES.—Rates per lb. for GLYCEROPHOSPHATES.—Rates per lb. for 1-cwt. lots are as follows:—ACID, B.P.C., 20 per cent., 5s. 9d.; calcium, soluble B.P.C., 11s. 9d.; IRON, B.P.C., scale, 15s. 9d. and powder, 14s, 9d.; MANGANESE, soluble, B.P.C., 14s. 3d., and insoluble, 7s. 6d.; MANGANESE, B.P.C., 26s. 3d.; POTASSIUM, 50 per cent., B.P.C., 3s. 9d. and 75 per cent., B.P.C., 3s. 1d. and 75 per cent., B.P.C., 3s. 1d. and 75 per cent., B.P.C., 4s. 6d.

HYDROCYANIC ACID. — Dilute B.P.C. is from 3s. 2d. to 4s. per litre, as to quantity; Scheeles is from 3s. 10d. to 4s. 9d.

Hydroquinone.—Quotations for 1-cwt. lots are 11s. 6d. per lb. or 25s. 4d. per

Kilo.

IRON SALTS. — GLUCONATE, B.P.C., is 6s. 6d. per lb. in 1-cwt. lots; SULPHATE, B.P. Crystals are 9½d. per lb. in 28-lb. lots; 1-cwt. is 57s. 6d. per cwt. and 5-cwt., 52s. 6d. per cwt. and 5-cwt., 52s. 6d. per lb. for 28-lb., 1-cwt., 118s.; 5-cwt., 113s. per cwt., 1-cwt. fibre kegs free. Other packages extra. PHOSPHATE, B.P.C., 28-lb., 3s. 6d. per lb.; 1-cwt., 3s. 3d. PHOSPHATE, SACCHARATED, B.P.C., 28-lb. lots are 3s. 9d. per lb.; 1-cwt., 3s. 6d. Oxide, RED PRECIPITATED, B.P.C., 1949, 1-cwt., 2s. 1d. per lb.; CARBONATE, SACCHARATED, B.P.C. 1949, 28-lb., 3s. 3d.; 1-cwt., 3s. AMMONIUM SULPHATE, 1-cwt., 1s. 7d. per lb. QUININE CITRATE, 2s. 1d. per oz. in 100-oz. tin.

ISOPRENALINE SULPHATE.—B.P. is 1s. 3d. per gm. for 1,000-gm. lots and 1s. 9d. per gm. for 100-gm. lots.

LACTATES.—CALCIUM, B.P., is 2s, 10d, per lb. in 5-cwt. lots and 2s, 11d, in 1-cwt. lots; CALCIUM SODIUM for similar quantities is 4s, 9d, and 4s, 10d, per lb.

Lactic acid. — B.P. is 4s. 5d. per lb. for 12-winchester lots and 4s. 4d. for 5-cwt. lots.

Lactose.—English, in 1-ton lots packed in 1-cwt. paper-lined sacks, is £129 10s. per ton, delivered in the United Kingdom.

Magnesium hydroxide.—Makers' prices for B.P.C. are 1-cwt. lots, 3s. 5d. per lb. and 1-ton, 3s. 2d. per lb.

MAGNESIUM SULPHATE.—Quotations for B.P. in minimum 1-ton lots vary between £18 and £21 per ton according to size of crystal and manufacturer. Exsiccated is £42 per ton. All ex works.

MERCURY DERIVATIVES. · Steady. are now as follows:—AMMONIATED, B.P., powder, 48s. 3d. and lump, 49s. 6d.; Sub-CHLORIDE (calomel), B.P., 55s., OXIDES, yellow, B.P., 58s. 3d.; red B.P.C., 1949, 59s. 4d.

PHENYTOIN SODIUM. — B.P. is 23s. per lb, in 1-cwt. lots.

Pyrogallic acid. — Firm. Pure crystals are 22s. 6d. per lb. in 1-cwt. lots; resublimed, 24s. 3d.

QUININE. — Makers' rates for 1,000-oz. lots are now:—SULPHATE, B.P.C., 1932, 1s. 10d. per oz.; SULPHATE, B.P.C., 1953, 2s. 0\frac{1}{2}d.; BISULPHATE, 1s. 10d.; DI-HYDRO-CHLORIDE, 2s. 4\frac{1}{2}d.; HYDROCHLORIDE, 2s. 6\frac{1}{2}d.; ETHYL CARBONATE, 4s. 3d.

ROCHELLE SALT. — Rates (per cwt.) for powder or granulated material are as follows:—In 5-cwt. lots or over, 200s. per cwt.; 1-cwt., 202s. 6d. SEIDLITZ POWDER, ordinary strength is 160s. 6d, per cwt. in 1-cwt. lots; smalls, from 2s. to 2s. 3d. per lb. Extra strong is 172s. 6d. per cwt., and from 2s. 1d. to 2s. 4d. per lb. for small quantities. Double-strength is 180s. per cwt.; smalls, 2s. 2d. to 2s. 5d. per lb. SACCHARIN —In lots of 1.lb. and over

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SANTONIN.—Minimum terms for home market are 420s, per kilo.

Semicarbazide hydrochloride.—Technical grade is 19s. per lb. for 1-cwt. lots.

SULPHUR.—B.P. PRECIPITATE in 1-ton lots is £112 10s. per ton, delivered U.K.

TANNIC ACID.—The B.P. levis, ex ether is quoted at 10s. per lb. for 1-cwt, lots. The B.P. powder is 9s. 6d. per lb. in 1-cwt. lots.

TEREBENE. — For 1-carboy lots, 4s. 2d. per lb. is asked. In winchesters, prices are 15s. 9d. per lb.; 28-lb., 14s. 6d.

TEREBINTH.—B.P. is 2s. 3d. per 1b.

TERPINEOL. — Prices of B.P. grade are from 3s. to 3s. 6d. per lb. as to quantity. TERPIN HYDRATE. - Prices are from 6s.

per lb., upwards as to quantity. THEOBROMINE. — ALKALOID is from 24s. 6d. per lb. and SODIUM SALICYLATE,

UREA.—Manufacturers' rates for pharmaceutical grade are £63 per ton in 1-cwt. bags non-returnable. Technical quality is £44 10s, per ton.

ZINC CARBONATE. — price is 1s. 9½d. per lb. - In 1-cwt. lots the

ZINC CHLORIDE. — B.P.C., cake from 4s. 6d. to 4s. 10d. per lb.; sticks from 5s. 10d. to 6s. 2d. per lb. Technical, 115s. per cwt.

ZINC PEROXIDE. — Price (per lb.) for 1-cwt. lots of B.P. is 5s. 3d.

ZINC SULPHATE.—B.P. in 1-cwt. lots is quoted at 1s. 9d. per lb.; technical, 60s.

Crude Drugs

AGAR.—Kobé is 12s. 1½d. per lb., duty paid. New-crop for February–March shipment, 10s., c.i.f.

ALOES. — Cape prime: No definite shipment offers, nominally 230s. per cwt., c.i.f.; spot, 250s. Curaçao, 500s., spot.

ANISE (STAR).—Chinese is 130s. per cwt. c.i.f., and 150s., spot in bond.

Areca nuts. -- F.a.q. quoted at 67s. 6d. and selected, 140s. per cwt. landed.

BALSAMS.—Quotations (per lb.) are:—CANADA: Spot, 25s. 6d. to 26s. and shipment, 25s., c.i.f. COPAIBA, Para from 7s. 9d. to 11s. duty paid. PERU spot value 11s. 6d.; shipment not offering. ToLU (genuine as imported), 25s. 6d.; B.P., 17s.

BELLADONNA.—Herb is 2s. 6d. per lb. on the spot (1s. 6d., c.i.f.). Root 1s. 10d. spot; shipment, 1s. 3d., c.i.f.

Buchu.—Spot rounds are 7s. 9d. per lb., new-crop for shipment, 6s. 9d., c.i.f.

CAMPHOR.—B.P. POWDER is from 5s. 3d. per lb., duty paid. TABLETS, 4-oz. are 6s. 6d., in bond.

CAPSICUMS. — East African at 150s. to 200s. per cwt. on the spot. - East African are from



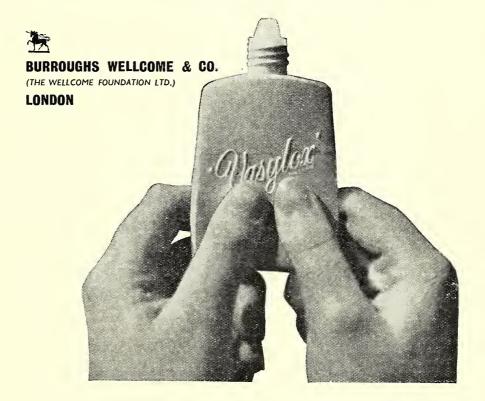
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Neat and convenient, this new presentation of 'Vasylox' will attract customers. Squeezed when upright, the plastic container ejects a fine, even mist; squeezed gently when inverted it delivers drops. Used either way, 'Vasylox' Spray rapidly clears nasal congestion. It is pleasant to use, does not cause irritation, stinging, sleeplessness or excitability, and is thus specially suitable for children.

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and for habit cough following whooping cough, measles and bronchitis. It is particularly useful for the suppression of cough when the patient is seriously ill and in need of sleep; in the advanced stages of pulmonary tuberculosis and in congestive cardiac failure. It can also be of great benefit for suppressing cough caused by reflex irritation such as is associated with tumour of the lung, larynx or mediastinum.

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CARDAMOMS. — Aleppy greens are 16s. per lb. on the spot; shipment, 14s., c.i.f., No. 1 seed 24s. 6d., spot; shipment, 21s., c.i.f.; split seed, 17s.

CASCARA SAGRADA.—Spot 1956 processed peel is 320s. per cwt., duty paid, and 1957 peel, from 285s., with shipment at 252s. 6d., c.i.f.

Cassia. — Sclected whole bark in limited supply on the spot at 230s, per cwt. and broken at 215s., in bond. C. fistula. new crop 90s. per cwt.

CINCHONA. — Parcels of druggists' bark Succirubra hybrid are from 1s. to 1s. 6d. per lb. on the spot, according to test.

ERGOT.—Portuguese is 5s. 6d. pcr lb. c.i.f., for prompt shipment and 6s. spot. American, 5s. 9d., spot; Hungarian, 7s. 9d.

GINGER.—African, 112s. 6d. per cwt. on the spot; new-crop for shipment, 110s., c.i.f. Jamaican No. 3 on the spot is 535s. per cwt, February–March. 490s., c.i.f. Cochin spot, 100s.

GUM ACACIA.—Kordofan cleaned sorts are 135s. per cwt. on the spot; prompt shipment, lower at 123s. 6d., c.i.f.

HONEY. — Australian light-amber is 110s. to 115s. and medium amber 105s. to 110s. Argentine 125s. to 130s.; Jamaican, 140s. to 145s., all per cwt., on the spot.

IPECACUANHA.—No firm shipment offers; Costa Rican, 78s. per lb., c.i.f. suggested. Spot market bare.

Karaya. — No. 1 gum on the spot is quoted at 240s. per cwt. and No. 2 at 155s.

Kola Nuts. — Jamaican are offered at about 8d. per lb. spot, and $6\frac{1}{2}$ d., c.i.f. African, $5\frac{1}{4}$ d. spot and $4\frac{1}{4}$ d., c.i.f.

LANOLIN. — ANHYDROUS, B.P., is from 170s. to 175s. per cwt. in 1-ton lots and HYDROUS, B.P., 150s., free drums, delivered.

MENTHOL.—Chinese is 52s. 6d. per lb., duty paid and 48s., c.i.f.; Brazilian, spot, 40s., duty paid, shipment, 37s. 6d., c.i.f. Formosan for shipment, 44s., c.i.f., Japanese, 46s., c.i.f.

PEPPER. — White Sarawak is 2s. 11d. per lb. on the spot; February shipment offering at 2s. 0\frac{1}{2}d., c.i.f. Black Sarawak, 1s. 5\frac{1}{2}d., on spot and shipment at 1s. 4\frac{3}{4}d., c.i.f. Black Malabar on spot is 190s. per cwt. and shipment, 175s.

QUILLAIA.—Spot offers of whole bark at 185s. per cwt.; cut, 215s.; crushed, 230s. Shipment offers (whole bark) at 150s., c.i.f.

RAUWOLFIA.—Serpentina is 4s. 3d. per lb., c.i.f., and vomitoria, 2s. 3d., c.i.f.

RHUBARB.—Quotations for Chinese are from 6s. to 9s. per lb., as to quality.

Sarsaparilla.-Jamaican native red on the spot is 2s. $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. per lb.

SCAMMONY. — Mexican resin is offered at 1s. 4d. per lb. on the spot.

SEEDS, — (Per cwt.). ANISE.—Cyprian quoted at 167s. 6d. spot, London. Caraway.—Dutch in poor demand at 97s. 6d., duty paid. Celery. — Indian quiet with sellers on spot asking 195s.; sellers of shipment for old crop asking 157s. 6d., and new crop, 120s., both c.i.f. CORIANDER. and new crop, 120s., both c.i.f. CORIANDER.
—Steady, Spot: Moroccan, 70s.; Rumanian, 65s. and splits, 52s. 6d., all duty paid.
Moroccan for shipment unchanged at 47s., c.i.f. CUMIN. — Cyprian, 200s. on spot, with some business passing. Iranian, 175s., in bond. Cyprian dearer for shipment at 175s. to 180s. quoted, c.i.f. DILL. — Unchanged. Indian 65s., spot, shipment quoted at 49s., c.i.f. FENNEL.—Indian is in short supply on spot. Business passing about 185s. to 190s. Old crop for shipment sold at 150s., c.i.f. FENUGREEK. — Fair business passing in Moroccan at 52s. 6d., duty paid; afloat sold at 45s. landed and shipment, 37s., c.i.f. MUSTARD.—English 67s. 6d. to 80s., according to quality.

SLIPPERY ELM.—Grinding quality bark is 2s. $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. per 1b.

STROPHANTHUS.—Kombé on the spot is 8s. 6d. per lb. for the 100 per cent.; Gratus is unobtainable spot; shipment, 18s. 6d. per lb., c.i.f.

STYRAX. — For shipment, 9s. 3d., per lb., c.i.f. Spot cleared.

Tonquin BEANS. — Para on the spot are offered at 8s. 6d. per lb.

Tragacanth.—No. 1 ribbon is £130 to £135 per cwt., No. 2, £125 to £127 10s.

TURMERIC.-Madras finger on the spot is 55s. per cwt. New-crop (March-April) quoted at 50s., c.i.f.

VALERIAN ROOT. — Spot: Indian (with rootlets) is 130s. and Belgian, 175s, to 195s. per cwt. Dutch (max. 2½ per cent. sand) for prompt shipment, 168s., g/n,

Essential and Expressed Oils

ANISE. — Chinese, 10s. 10½d. per lb., spot: shipment, 10s. 9d., c.i.f.

BERGAMOT.—Spot supplies are 86s. 6d. per 1b. for 38 per cent. oil.

Bois DE Rose.—Brazilian is 24s. 6d. per lb. on the spot and 23s. 6d., c.i.f.

CELERY SEED. — Oil is 92s. 6d. per lb. for bulk lots.

CHENOPODIUM,-Spot value is 40s. per lb. for original containers.

CINNAMON.—From quillings, best English-distilled is 50s. per oz.; other B.P. oils from 165s. per lb. Ceylon lcaf, spot, 11s. 6d., per lb. nominal and shipment, 11s. 3d., c.i.f. and rectified, 15s. per lb.,

CITRONELLA. — Ceylon, spot, 4s, 4½d.; shipment, 4s, 0½d., c.i.f. Formosan, February–March shipment, 5s., c.i.f. Spot: 5s. $4\frac{1}{2}$ d., in bond.

CORIANDER. - B.P. oil is quoted from 70s. per 1b.

CUMIN.—Quotations for English-distilled oil are about 95s, per lb.

DILL.—B.P. imported is 36s. per lb.

GERANIUM.—Bourbon is 110s, per lb. on the spot and Algerian, 92s. 6d.

GINGER. — English-distilled oil is 160s. per lb. 1mported: Jamaican, 135s.; Chinese, 100s., duty paid.

LAVANDIN. — Spot is from 11s. to 14s. 9d. per lb. for original drums.

LAVENDER.—French oil, 40-42 per cent.

is 55s. per lb. LAVENDER SPIKE. - Spanish is offered from 12s. 6d. to 15s. per 1b. on the spot.

Lemongrass. — Spot is 7s. 3d. per 1b., and shipment, 7s. 1d., c.i.f.

Orange,—Spot quotations of sweet oil include Floridan at 6s. 6d. per lb., Californian, 9s. 6d.; West Indian, 9s.; South African, 9s.; West African, 14s. 6d.; Israeli, 12s. For shipment, proprietary brand Californian cold-pressed U.S.P., no offers; distilled equals 5s., c.i.f. Terpeneless is 200s. per lb., spot.

PALMAROSA—East Indian, 30s. spot. and

Palmarosa,—East Indian, 30s., spot, and 25s., c.i.f.

PATCHOULI.—Penang is 29s., in bond, and 27s., c.i.f. Seychelles, 36s., spot.

PEPPERMINT. — Arvensis: Chinese PEPPERMINT. — Arvensis: Chinese is 25s. 9d. per lb. on the spot and 25s. 6d. nominal, c.i.f. Brazilian, 14s., spot and 13s., c.i.f. Formosan, 18s. 3d., spot; new-crop for June–July shipment, 17s., c.i.f. Italian "Mitcham"-type oil on spot is from 45s. to 50s.; American, 27s. 6d. to 55s. as to original 55s., as to origin.

PETITGRAIN. - Paraguay is offered at 20s. 6d. pcr lb. on the spot; 20s., c.i.f.

PIMENTO. — English-distilled berry 180s. per lb.; imported, 75s. Recleaf, 27s. 6d. per lb. for small lots. Rectified

PINE.—Pumilionis on the spot is from 16s. per lb.; sylvestris, 25s.; Siberian (abietis), 12s. 6d.

Synthetics and Isolates

Prices per 1b. for minimum 1-cwt, lots unless otherwise stated.

ACETOPHENONE. — 5s. AMYL ACETATE. — 8. 6d. AMYL BENZOATE. — 6s. 9d. AMYL 58. 6d. AMYL BENZOATE. — 68. 9d. AMYL BUTYRATE.—48. 6d. AMYL PHENYLACETATE. — 98. 6d. AMYL SALICYLATE. — 58. 3d. AMYL CINNAMIC ALDEHYDE.—108. to 108. 6d. ANETHOLE.—208. to 24s. ANISIC ALCOHOL.—27s. 6d. to 45s. ANISIC ALDEHYDE (ex paracresol).—19s. to 24s.; (ex anethol).—40s. BENZALDEHYDE. — 58. BENZOPHENONE. — 88. 6d. BENZYL ALCOHOL (perfumers).

BENZALDEHYDE, — SS. BENZOPHENONE. — 8s. 6d. BENZYL ALCOHOL (perfumers').— 3s. 6d. BENZYL ACCHOL (perfumers').— 9s. 6d. BENZYL ENZALE (perfumers').— 9s. BENZYL CINNAMATE.— 21s. BENZYL ISOEUGENOL.— 45s. 6d. SENZYL PROPIONATE.— 5s. 6d. BENZYL DENE ACETONE.— 11s. BORNEOL.— 17s. 6d. BORNYL ACETATE. — 3s. 9d. BROMSTYROL. — 33s. BUTYRIC ACID.— 4s. 6d.

BUTYRIC ACID.—48, 6d.

CINEOL.—12s, 6d. CINNAMIC ALCOHOL.—
15s, to 17s, 6d. CINNAMIC ALCHYDE.—6s.
CINNAMYL ACETATE.—25s, CINNAMYL BUTYRATE.—35s, CITRAL 90-92%.—19s, 6d, to
24s, CITRONELLAL.— 16s, to 21s, CITRONELLOL (ex Ceylon).—27s, 6d.; (ex Java).—
23s, 6d, COUMARIN.—19s, 6d,

DIETHYL PHTHALATE.—2s. 9d. DIMETHYL BENZYL CARBINOL.—47s. 6d. DIMETHYL HYDROQUINONE. — 18s. 6d. DIPHENYL HYDROQUINONE. — 18s. 6d. DIPHENY METHANE.—5s. 6d. DIPHENYL OXIDE.—4s.

ETHYL BENZOATE.—5s. 9d. ETHYL BUTY-RATE.—4s. 9d. ETHYL CINNAMATE.—14s. 6d. ETHYL OENANTHAIE. — 17s. 6d. ETHYL SALICYLATE.—5s. ETHYL VANILLIN.—48s. EUGENOL.—19s. to 21s.

GERANIOL (ex Ceylon).—28s. 6d.; (ex-Java). — 22s.; (ex Palmarosa). — 110s. GERANYI. ACETATE (ex Java).—24s. 6d. to 274 6d

HELIOTROPINE. — 20s. HYDROXYCITRO-NELLAL (perfumers').—35s. to 40s.; (for soaps).—32s. 6d.

INDOLE.—150s, IONONE 100%.—30s. ISOBUTYL ACETATE.—4s. 6d. ISOBUTYL BENZOATE.—63. 6d. ISOBUTYL SALICYLATE.—6s. to 9s. Isoeugenol.—24s. 6d.

LINALOL.—38s. 6d. to 40s. LINALYL ACE-TATE.—40s. to 45s.

METHYL ACETOPHENONE. - 10s METHYL ACETOPHENONE, — 10s. 6d. METHYL ANTHRANILATE.—18s, 6d. METHYL BENZOATE.—5s. 6d, to 6s. 3d. METHYL CINNAMATE.—17s, 6d, METHYL PHENYLACE-TATE.—7s, METHYL HEPTINE CARBONATE.—215s, METHYL 10NONE 100%.— 34s. 6d. MUSK KETONE.—32s, 6d, MUSK XYLOL.—7s, 6d, MUSTARD OIL (art.).—19s, to 20s. NEROLIN BROMELIA.—8s, NEROLIN YARA —8s

YARA.—8s.

PARACRESYL ACETATE. — 12s. 6d. PARA-CRESYL PHENYLACETATE.—12s, 6d, to 22s.
PHENYLACETALDEHYDE.—65s. PHENYLACETIC ACID. — 5s, 8d, PHENYLETHYL ALCOHOL. — 10s, 9d, to 12s, 6d, PHENYLPROPYL ALCOHOL.—16s, 6d, to 21s.

RHODINOL,—185s, to 245s.

SAFROLE.—6s, SANTALOL.—180s, STYROI-YLENE ACETATE.—10s, 6d, to 12s, 6d,

TERPINEOL (perfumers') — 3s. 9d. TER-PINYL ACETATE.—4s, 9d. to 5s. 3d.

Vetiverol.—260s. to 275s, Vetiveryi acetate.—195s. to 240s.

UNITED STATES REPORT

NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 5: SANTONIN was reduced \$2 to \$32.50 per lb. Jamaican SARSAPARILLA dipped five cents to 50 cents a lb. VANILLA BEANS were higher, with Bourbons \$9.25 a lb., up 25 cents. Higher among ESSENTIAL OILS was CARAWAY at \$3.00 a lb. (up 25 cents). Lower were LinaLool at \$3.05 a lb. (down 30 cents); LINALYL ACETATE at \$3.20 (down 30 cents); and EUCALYP-TOL at \$1:15 (down ten cents); Bois DE ROSE oil at \$2:15 was down 15 cents; Bourbon GERANIUM at \$15:00 (down \$1) and Algerian GERANIUM, \$14.50 (down 50 cents).

U.S. STOCKPILE POLICY

Fillip for drug makers?

THE Office of Defence Mobilisation (ODM) has been advised to overhaul its policies for acquiring strategic materials for the United States national stockpile. Instead of acquiring raw materials from both United States and foreign sources, as was done under policies established during the Korean war, the emphasis should be shifted to buying finished items, ODM was told. Supplies vital for survival, relief and rehabilitation such as water, food, shelter and medical supplies, should be available if a nuclear attack occurred. The recommendations were made by a twelve-man civilian committee headed by Mr. Holman D. Pettibone. The committee said the 7,350 million dollars' worth of strategic and critical materials now held in government inventories, plus production in the U.S. and readily accessible foreign areas, with a few relatively minor exceptions, "could easily support an expanded defence industry for several years." Among the recommendations made by the committee was one that producers and distributors of medical, pharmaceutical and hospital supplies and equipment be encouraged to carry increased inventories in dispersed locations. The committee realise that the timing and manner of stockpile purchases and sales can have far-reaching impacts on domestic and foreign markets and on foreign relations but while those factors must not be overlooked in management of the stockpile, emphasis should always be on national defence and survival needs. The stockpile should not be used in attempts to regulate the nation's econ-

WORLD TRADE

Freight Charges in West Germany.-Freight charges on the West German State-owned railways went up by an average of 8.5 per cent. on February 1.

New Chemical Laboratory in India.-A new manufacturing laboratory and branch office of Parke, Davis & Co., is to be constructed in Bombay according to Mr. W. R. Jeeves (vice-president of the company). He said the new structure would have 100,000 square feet of floor space on a 12-acre site.

U.S. Tariff Laws.-President Eisenhower asked Congress on January 31 to extend the Government's tariff-cutting powers for another five years. Urging passage of the bill the President said under this programme sound two-way trade can be further developed to assure to our industries widening opportunities for participation in world markets and to provide foreign nations the opportunity to earn the dollars to pay for the goods we sell." The administrations executive authority to negotiate tariff reductions with other countries is due to expire on June 30. In asking for a five-year extension, Mr. Eisenhower told Congress there was a special reason for choosing this period. The six-nation European Economic Community would be moving towards a common market with a common tariff on imports from the rest of the world.

TRADE MARKS

APPLICATIONS ADVERTISED BEFORE REGISTRATION

From the "Trade Marks Journal," January 22

For all goods (3)

Device, 768,208, by Vcb Farbenfabrik Wolfen, Wolfen, Bitterfeld, Germany. PURETTA, 771,029, by Hauschemikalien G.m.b.H., Ingelheim-on-Rhinc, Germany.

For detergents (not for use in industrial or manufacturing processes) (3)

Device with words COOL1-COOLI, 770,462, by Chalk Products, Ltd., London, W.1.

For soaps, perfumes, non-medicated toilet pre-parations and cosmetic preparations (3)

MINERS TOP TEN, 767,590, by Henry C.
Miner, Ltd., Surbiton, Surrey.

For soaps, perfumes, non-medicated toilet preparations, eau de Cologne, essential oils, cos-metics, hair lotions and dentifrices (3)

TOSCARA, 770,810, by Eau dc Cologne & Parfümerie-Fabrik, Glockengasse No. 4711, Cologne, Germany,

For substances for laundry use; cleaning, polishing, scouring and abrasive preparations; soaps; and detergents (not for use in industria) or manufacturing purposes) (3)

BLEEP, 770,829, by R. Sloan & Co., Ltd., Liverpool.

For infants' foods, being milk products, all for sale in Aden, Bahrain, Basutoland, Bechuanaland, British Honduras, Falkland Islands, Gibraltar, Ghana, Grenada, Guernsey, Jersey, Kenya, Federation of Malaya, Northern Rhodesia, St. Helena, Sarawak, St. Vincent, the British West Indies, Singapore, Southern Rhodesia, Somaliland, Swaziland, Tanganyika, Tonga and Uganda (5) Devicc with words BONNY BABY, 760,999, by Coöperatieve Condensfabrick "Gelderland-overijsel" G.A., Deventer, Holland.

For pharmaceutical, veterinary and sanitary substances, medical and surgical plasters, materials prepared for bandaging, disinfectants, and preparations for killing weeds and destroying vermin

CALCENUM, 765,332, by Union Chimique Belge, S.A., Brussels, Belgium.

For antibiotics (5)

PENTASCODIN, 767,535, by Glaxo Laboratories, Ltd., Greenford, Middlesex.

For all goods (5)

Dev.ce, 768,209, by Veb Farbenfabrik Wolfen, Wolfen, Germany. MEPEDOXIN, 770,844, by The British Drug Houses, Ltd., London, N.I. PECTOGEN, 770,886, by Genatosan, Ltd., Loughborough, Leics. ALEVERGEN, 770,895, by Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd., London, S.W.1. PELLIFORM, 770,888, by C. H. Boehringer Sohn, Ingelheim-on-Rhine, Germany.

For pharmaceutical and veterinary preparations

CARTRAX, 769,876, by Chas. Pfizer & Co., Inc., New York, U.S.A.

For pharmaceutical preparations for human and veterinary use, sanitary substances, medical and surgical plasters, material prepared for bandaging, disinfectants and antiseptics (5)

DELTA-BUTAZOLIDIN, 769,074, by J. R. Geigy S.A., Basle, Switzerland.

For pharmaceutical preparations containing bromine or compounds (5) BROMOVALINE, 770,126, by Victoria Labora-

tories, Ltd., London, W.C.2.

For vulnerary sponges for surgical use (5) GELCOSPONGE, 770,780, by Consolidated Chemicals, Ltd., Wrexham, Denbighs.

For pharmaceutical preparations and substances for human and veterinary use (5)

RENGASIL, 770,826, by CIBA, Ltd., Baslc, Switzerland.

For stands for photographic, cinematographic and optical apparatus and instruments (9) MULTIPODE, 770,969, by André Victor Léon

Clément Debrie, Paris, France. For holders for photographic films (9) by Graflex, Inc., GRAFMATIC, 771,044, by Rochester, New York, U.S.A.

For suture material (10)

ARLIN, 771,098, by Armour & Co., Ltd., London, E.C.1.

From the "Trade Marks Journal," January 29 For fertilisers for sale in England, Scotland and

Wales (1) FISONS LIQUID GREEN, 747,308, by Fisons,

Ltd., Felixstowe, Suffolk. For chemical products for retarding the growth of

REGULOX, 771,379, by Burt, Boulton & Haywood, Ltd., London, W.C.2.

For essential oil residues (not for food) (3) RESILENE, 767,661, by W. J. Bush & Co., Ltd., London, E.8.

For hair lotions, hair oils, shampoos and preparations for use in waving and setting the hair

NEUTRAMOUSSE, 767,579, by Perma, S.A., Paris, France.

For toilet preparations for the hair (3)

ACTORENE, 769,553, by Eugene, Ltd., London, W.1.

For perfumes, toilet preparations (not medicated), cosmetic preparations, dentifrices, depilatory preparations, toilet articles (not included in other classes), sachets for use in waving the hair, soaps and essential oils (3)

Device with words ABOU HANDA, 769,390, by Parfumerie J. Lamotte, S.A., Marseille, France.

For preparations for use in waving and setting the hair (3)

SEVENTH WAVE, 770,471, by Boots Pure Drug Co., Ltd., Nottingham.

For cosmetics, non-medicated toilet preparations, perfumes, soaps and nail polish removing preparations (3)

FLASHPOINT, 770,493, by Gala of London, Ltd., London, W.1.

For preparations for use in the permanent waving of the hair (3)

SIMPLON, B770,525, by Greenford Chemicals, Ltd., Greenford, Middlesex.

For cleaning and polishing preparations (3) FIBRON, 771,175, by Ronuk, Ltd., Portslade, nr. Brighton, Sussex.

For all goods (5)

VETRETTES, 764,443, QUADRIGEN, 764,662, by Parke, Davis & Co., Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A., and Hounslow, Middlesex. TIMESPAN, 769,325, by Roche Products, Ltd., Welwyn Garden City, Herts.

For antibiotics (5)
HUMATIN, 766,547, by Parke, Davis & Co.,
Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A., and Hounslow, Middlesex.

For pharmaceutical products (5)

ANDROMEXINOL, 770,992, by Nurace Surgical & Chemical Co., Hull, Yorks.

For vitamin preparations for pharmaceutical purposes (5)

VIRIBA, 771,204, by Modern Health Products, Ltd., Chessington, Surrey.

WILLS

Mr. F. J. BOARDMAN, M.P.S., 82 Sale Lane, Tyldesley, Lanes, left £4,690 (£4,621 net).

Mr. P. G. Curtis, M.P.S., 52 Victoria Place, Brightlingsca, Essex, left £19,635 (£19,135 net). Mr. H. England, M.P.S., 30 Leeds Road, Harrogate, Yorks, left £43,849 (£43,581 net).

MR. T. J. EVANS, F.P.S., Whipley House Wood Street, Guildford, Surrey, left £44,739 (£43,053 nct).

Mr. F. C. Hanbury, F.P.S., Westfield, Hoddesdon, Herts (a former chairman of Allen & Hanburys, Ltd., Ware Herts), left £38,022 (£37,214 net).

MR. R. F. KENNY, M.P.S., 19 Marlowe Road, Wallascy, Cheshire, left £4,476 (£3,961 net).

MR. G. H. MACK, M.P.S., 62 Brockley Rise, Honor Oak Park, London, left £7,871 (£5,356

Mr. A. I. Ofter, M.P.S., Darwin, Skegby Lane, Mansfield, Notts, left £3,229 (£2,178 net).

MR. C. H. SIDDLE, M.P.S., 138 Holders Hill Road, N.W.7, left £3,614 (£3,565 net).

MR. J. H. STEPHENSON, M.P.S., 2 Castle Street, Hinckley, Leics, left £41,107 (£40,963 net).

MR. S. Tatlow, M.P.S., 53 Market Street, Eckington, Derbyshire, left £4,946 (£4,617 net).

C. & D. RETAIL AND DISPENSING PRICE LIST

The drug index for January was 205.1

Cost		1	16 oz.	4 oz.	1 oz.	1 dr.
d.	per	ltem	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
28	500 gm.	Acid. boric. cryst	3 2	0 11	$0 3\frac{1}{2}$	·
28	500 gm.	Acid, boric, pulv, subtil,	3 2	0 11	$0 3\frac{1}{2}$	_
39	500 gm.	Acid. oxalic. coml. P.I. (8)	4 5	1 3	$0.4\frac{1}{2}$	- 11
87	500 gm.	Aloe Capensis pulv Amylum (wheat)	2 7	2 10 0 9	$\begin{array}{c c} 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 2\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$	$0 - 1\frac{1}{2}$
23 60	500 gm. 500 gm.	Amylum (wheat) Apii grav. sem. (celery)	'	1 11	0 7	0 1
88	1/2 gm.	Apomorph. hydrochlor. S. 1 (4)	per gr.	2 0	5 gr.	9 9
51	500 gm.	Applicat. benzyl. benz., B.P.C.	-	1 8	0 6	0 1
49	10 gm.	Argentoproteinas	per	gr.	0 1	2 6
24	500 gm.	Borax	2 9	$0 9\frac{1}{2}$	0 3	II —
120	500 gm.	Camphora natural	_	3 10	1 2	0 2
42	500 gm.	Carum	_	1 4 4	0 5 1 4	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$
135	500 gm.	Cera alba in massa Cera flav. (in massa) exot	_	4 2	1 3	$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{array}$
129 45	500 gm. 100 gm.	Cinnamomi pulvis opt	_		1 11	0 31
216	5 gm.	Codeina, B.P.C. S. 1 (4)	per	gr.	$0.5\frac{1}{2}$	
135	250 gm.	Conspers, hydrarg, subchlor, co.,			- 2	
	J. M.	B.P.C	_	_	2 8	$0 - 4\frac{1}{2}$
234	5 gm.	Diamorphin, hydrochlor. D.D.	per	gr.	0 8	_
138	500 mils	Elixir aethylmorph. et terpin.,		4 5		0 21
0.5	500 '1	B.P.C P.I. (13) Emuls, menth, pip	_	4 5 2 10	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{array}{c c} 0 & 2\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$
87	500 mils	Ergota praeparata S. 1 (5)		2 10	U 10	1 1
51 63	25 gm. 100 mils	Ext. ergotae liq., B.P.C. S. 1 (5)			2 8	0 41
65	100 mils	Ext. taraxaci liq		_	2 9	$0.4\frac{1}{2}$
195	100 gm.	Ferri et quinin. citras		_	_	1 2
111	500 gm.	Glycer, acid, tannic,	_	4 8	1 5	$0 2\frac{1}{2}$
51	4 oz.	Ichthammol	_		1 11	0 3
140	500 mils	Inf. buchu conc B.P.C	·— -	4 6	1 4	$0 2\frac{1}{2}$
360	2 litres	Linct, codein., B.P.C. P.I. (13) Linct. diamorph., B.P.C. D.D.	_	2 11 2 7	$\begin{array}{c c} 0 & 10\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 9\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c c} 0 & 1\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$
81	500 mils 100 mils	Liq. morph. hydrochlor. D.D.	_		3 4	$0 \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \frac{5}{2}$
78 90	500 mils	Liq. quin. ammon., B.P.C	_	2 11	0 101	$0 1\frac{1}{2}$
405	10 gm.	Morphin. hydrochlor. D.D.	per	gr.	0 7	
405	10 gm.	Morphin. sulphas D.D.	per	gr.	0 7	_
23	500 gm,	Naphthalenum coml. flake	2 7	0 9	0 $2\frac{1}{2}$	_
252	1 gal.	Ol. arachis	2 10	$0 9\frac{1}{2}$	0 3	_
34	500 gm.	Ol. cocois, B.P.C., '49		1 1	0 4	1 4
72 65	25 gm.	Ol. lavand. Gall, Ol. pini pumilionis	_			1 2
63	25 gm. 2 pints	Ol. terebinth. coml	3 2	0 11	$0 3\frac{1}{2}$	
174	500 gm.	Ol. theobromatis		5 7	1 8	0 3
41	25 gm.	Pig. podoph., B.P.C	_	_	5 10	0.10
95	250 gm.	Pimentae pulv	_	_	1 10	0 3
34	100 gm.	Piper, nigr, pulv.	_		1 5	$0 2\frac{1}{2}$
84	500 gm.	Potassa caustica (stick) P.II. (15)	_	2 8	0 10 0 7	$\begin{array}{c c} 0 & 1\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{array}$
60 42	500 gm. 500 gm.	Potassii carbonas, B.P.C. '49 Potassii metabisulph		1 11	0 5	0 1
63	500 gm.	Potassii metabisulph Potassii quadroxalas, B.P.C. '34		1 4	0 3	0 1
0.5	Joo giii.	P.II. (8)	_	2 .0	$0.7\frac{1}{2}$	0 1
75	25 gm.	Quinin, hydrobromidum	_	_	- 1	1 7
84		Succus glycyrrh. (sticks)		2 8	0 10	$0 1\frac{1}{2}$
21	500 gm.	Sulphur nigrum	2 5	0 8	$0 2\frac{1}{2}$	2 0
132	25 gm.	Strychnin, pulv S. 1 (4) Sulphaguanadin. S. 1 R only	per	gr.	0 1 5 3	$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$
37 87	25 gm. 500 mils	Sulphaguanadin. S. 1 R only Syr. creosoti co., B.P.C. '49		2 10	5 3 0 10	$0 9 0 1\frac{1}{2}$
212	2 litres	Syr. glycerophosph. co., B.P.C.		2 10	0 10	0 12
-12		P.I. (9 and 13)	_	1 8	0 6	0 1
75	500 mils	Syr. limonis	_	2 5	$0.8\frac{1}{2}$	0 1
101	500 mils	Tinct. chlorof. et morph., B.P.C.				0 11
100	500	F.I. (9)	_	3 3	1 0	$0 1\frac{1}{2}$
128	500 mils 500 gm.			2 1	$\begin{array}{c c} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 7\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
66	500 gm.	Ung. zinci et ol. ricini		2 1	$0 7\frac{1}{2}$	0 1

Cost		TABLETS	Retail (in container)		
d.	per		25	100	
732 328 76	1,000 1,000 100	Acetanilid. co. c. codein., B.P.C. '49. S. 1 (5) Digoxin. 0.25-mgm Quinin. bisulphat. gr. 5	s. d. 3 3 1 10 3 5	s. d. 11 7 5 8 11 1	

The bold letters and figures at left of dispensing price relate to the classification of poisons in The CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST Poisons Guide,

COMING EVENTS

Items for inclusion under this heading should be sent in time to reach the Editor not later than first post on Wednesday of the week of insertion.

Monday, February 10

LONDON SECTION, ROYAL INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTRY, Norwood Technical College, Knight's Hill, London, S.E.27, at 7 p.m. Dr. J. Green on "Recent Advances in the Chemistry and Function of the Vitamins."

SOUTHAMPTON BRANCH, PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY, Polygon hotel, at 7.30 p.m. Members' evening.

Tuesday, February 11

EAST KENT BRANCH, PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY, Falstaff hotel, Canterbury, at 8 p.m., Mr. W. R. Mowll (coroner, East Kent) on "The Work of a Coroner."

EDINBURGH AND SOUTH-EASTERN SCOTTISH BRANCH, PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY, 36 York Place, Edinburgh, at 7.45 p.m, Mr. A. Aldington (a member of the Society's Council) on "Photo-dealing Today and in the Future."

GUILDFORD BRANCH, PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY. Queen of Hearts, West Street, Farnham, at 7.30 p.m. Discussion evening.

LONDON CHEMISTS' GOLFING SOCIETY, Hendon Hall hotel, London, N.W.4, at 7 p.m. Annual dinner and dance.

LONDON SECTION, ROYAL INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTRY, Sir John Cass College, Jewry Street, London, E.C.3, at 6.30 p.m. Professor C. K. Ingold on "An Organic-chemical Contribution to the Inorganic Chemistry of Nitrous Acid."

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE BRANCH, PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY, North Stafford hotel, Stoke-on-Trent, at 7.30 p.m. Mr. C. D. Grimwade on "Astronomy."

PRESTON PHARMACISTS' ASSOCIATION, County Club, Winckley Square, at 7.45 p.m. Talk by Mr. J. A. Speed (clerk to Lancashire Executive Council).

SOUTH-EAST METROPOLITAN BRANCH, PHARMACEUTI-CAL SOCIETY, New Cross inn, 323 New Cross Road, London, S.E.14, at 8 p.m. Talk on "The Work of Customs and Excise Officers."

Wednesday, February 12

Brighton and Hove Association and Branch. Visit to School of Pharmacy, London University; theatre visit, Coach leaves Hove town hall at 2 p.m.

ENFIELD CHEMISTS' ASSOCIATION, Firs hall, Winchmore Hill, at 8 p.m. Supper-dance.

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND BRANCH, PHAR-MACEUTICAL SOCIETY, Craig's restaurant, 142A St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, C.2, at 7.45 p.m. Students' night.

LIVERPOOL SCHOOL OF PHARMACY, OLD STUDENIS' ASSOCIATION, Exchange hotel, Liverpool. Dinner-dance to honour the cightieth birthday of Mr. H. Humphreys-Jones.

LONDON SECTION, BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF CHEMISTS, Wellcome Foundation, Euston Road, London, N.1, at 7 p.m. Assistant Divisional Officer Bennett (London Fire Brigade) on "Fire Prevention."

SUNDERLAND TECHNICAL COLLEGE, PHARMACY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION, Bay hotel, Whitburn, at 7.30 p.m. Annual dinner and dance.

FUNDRIDGE WELLS PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, Spa hotel, at 8.30 p.m. Annual buffet-dance. Ticket (price 10s. 6d.) from Mr. D. Hinchliffe, 2 High Street, Rusthall, Tunbridge Wells.

Thursday, February 13

BOURNEMOUTH BRANCH, NATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL UNION, Grand hotel, at 7.45 p.m. Mr. H. W. Tomski on "Economics of Pharmacy—With Reference to Bournemouth."

CHEMICAL SOCIETY, Imperial College of Science and Technology, London, S.W.7, at 7.30 p.m. Tilden lecture: Professor B, Lythgoe on "Some Recent Advances in the Chemistry of the Vitamins D,"

HULL CHEMISTS' ASSOCIATION and BRANCH, New York ballroom, at 8 p.m. Supper-dance.

LEEDS BRANCH, PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY, Mctro-

pole hotel, at 7.45 p.m. Dr. J. Broadbent on ' Nigerian Native Drugs, Medicines and Witch Doctors."

LONDON SECTION ROYAL INSTITUTE OF CHEMIS-TRY, North-west Kent College of Technology, Miskin Road, Dartford, at 7.30 p.m. Dr. G. B. Stanford on "The Use of Film in Scientific and Medical Research."

MICROBIOLOGY GROUP, SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL IN-DUSTRY, Imperial College of Science and Tech-nology. Prince Consort Road, London, S.W.7, at 6.30 p.m. Papers on "Enzymic Degradation of Carbohydrates."

PRINT AND PUBLICITY

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

PROGRAMME details are given to enable chemists to put in linking-up displays if they wish. Notice given is as far in advance of the programme date as can be guaranteed by the broadcasting companies. Where known, the number of appearances of the product during the week is shown in parentheses.

February 16-22 LONDON

Airwick (2), Alka-Seltzer, Amami wave set (4). Anadin (2). Aspro (7). Beecham's pills (4) powders (4). Bristow's shampoo (3). Brylcreem (5). Cadum soap, California syrup of figs. Christy's liquid lanoline (4). Colgate dental and brushless shaving creams. Cutex hand cream Disprin.

Eucryl tooth-powder. Euthymol tooth-paste (2), Fynnon salt. Galloway's cough syrup. Germolenc (3). Gibbs' S.R. tooth-paste (7), Gillette razors and blades (2). Gon. Horlicks (4). Iron Jelloids (2). Jif plastic lemons (2). Kleenex tissues (6),

Lemskin (3). Loxene (3). Macleans tooth-paste (4) indigestion remedies. Macprin (2). Mac throat sweets (2). Max Factor preparations (3), Milk of Magnesia preparations (3), Moorland in-digestion tablets. Nulon (4), Opas tablets, Optone eye drops (2). Owbridges lung tonic and pastilles, Pacquins, Palmolive soap, Penetrol inhalant, Personnia tablets, Phensic (5), Phosferinc (3), Phyllosan (3). Potter's catarrh pastilles. Punch and Judy tooth-paste (2).

Savlon barrier cream (2), Silvikrin hair eream (3). Sky tooth-paste (5). Spratt's mixed ovals (7), Supavite (3), Suregrip rubber gloves (2). Thru, Veno's cough mixture (4). Vosene (3). Vykmin, Water Lilies shampoo (3). Williams Lectric shave, Yeast-Vite, Zonk acrosols, Zubes pastilles (2).

MIDLAND

Airwick (2), Alka-Seltzer, Amami wave set (4). Anadin (3), Angiers junior asp.rin (3), Aspro (7), Beecham's pills (5) powders (5), Bristow's shampoo (2), Brylcreem (4), Cadum soap, California syrup of figs (2). Cogene. Colgate dental cream. Cutex hand cream. Delsey toilet tissue (3). Dentosine (2), Disprin (3).

Eno's Fruit Salt (2). Eucryl tooth-powder (2). Euthymol tooth-paste (2). Galloway's cough syrup (4). Germolene (3). Gibbs' S.R. toothpaste (12). Gillette razors and blades (2). Gon (2), Horlicks (5), Iron Jelloids (2), Jif plastic lemons (3). Kleenex tissucs (5).

Lobelline (2), Loxenc (3), Macleans indigestion remedies (3) tooth-paste (3), Mac throat sweets. Max Factor preparations (2). Milk of Magnesia preparations (3). Moorland indigestion nesia preparations (3). Moorland indigestion tablets. Nemakol. Nulon (3), Opas tablets. Owbridge's lung tonic and pastilles, Pacquins, Palmolive soap, Penetrol inhalant, Pepsodent tooth-paste, Phensic (7), Phosferine (3), Phyllosan (3). Potter's catarrh pastilles. Punch and Judy tooth-paste.

Safada cream shampoo, Sanatogen Scott's emulsion. Silvikrin hair cream (2). Steradent. Supavite (2), Thru, Valderma (3). Veno's cough mixture (4). Vosene (2), Vykmin, Water Lilies shampoo (2). Williams Lectric shave. Yeast-Vite (2), Zoflora, Zubes pastilles (2),

Airwick (3), Alka-Seltzer (2), Amami wave set (4). Anadin (3). Aspro (7). Beecham's pills (5) powders (4), Bristow's shampoo (3), Brylcreem (4). Cadum soap. California syrup of figs. Cephos (4). Colgate dental cream. Cutex hand cream. Dentosine (2). Disprin (2).

Eucryl tooth-powder (2). Euthymol tooth-paste (2). Fynnon salt, Galloway's cough syrup (4). Germolene (3), Gibbs' S.R. tooth-paste (10). Gillette razors and blades (2). Gon. Hiltone (4). Horlicks (3). Jif plastic lemons (2). Kleenex tissues (6).

Lioyd's adrenaline cream (2). Loxene (2). Macleans indigestion remedies (3) tooth-paste (3). Mac throat sweets. Max Factor preparations (3). Milk of Magnesia preparations (2). Moorland indigestion tablets. Nulon (4). Opas tablets. Owbridge's lung tonic and pastilles. Pacquins, Palmolive soap, Penetrol inhalant, Personnia tablets, Phensic (7), Phosferine (3), Phyllosan (3), Potter's catarrh pastilles, Pure Silvakrin.

Safada cream shampoo. Sanatogen, Silvikrin hair cream and shampoo, Supavite (3), Thermogene (4), Thru, Veno's cough mixture (5), Vosene Vykmin, Yeast-Vite (2), Zoflora, Zubes pastilles (2).

SCOTLAND

Airwick (2). Alka-Seltzer. Amami wave set (3). Anadin (3), Askit (10), Aspro (8), Beecham's pills (4) powders (13), Brylcreem (4), Cadum soap. California syrup of figs. Colgate dental cream, Disprin,

Eno's Fruit Salt (3). Eucryl tooth-powder (5). Euthymol tooth-paste (2), Frozoclone and Frozolavender (4), Fynnon salt, Germolene (2), Gillette razors and blades (2). Gon. Horlicks (3). Jif plastic lemons (2). Kleenex tissues (4),

Lantigen 'B' oral vaccine, Loxene (4), Macleans indigestion remedies (3) tooth-paste (3), Mae throat sweets. Max Factor preparations (4). Milk of Magnesia preparations (3), Milpar (3), Moorland indigestion tablets (2). Opas tablets. Pacquins (2). Palmolive soap. Penetrol inhalant. Personnia tablets. Phensic (4).

Silvikrin shampoo, Skin-Glo (2). Supavite (3). Thru. Veno's cough mixture (4). Vosene (3). Vykmin. Water Lilies shampoo (2). Zubes pastilles (2).

WALES

Airwick (2), Alka-Seltzer (2), Amami wave set (3), Anadin (3), Aspro (7), Brylcreem (3), Cadum soap, California syrup of figs (2). Colgate dental cream.

Eno's Fruit Salt (3). Euthymol tooth-paste (2). Fynnon salt (2), Gillette razors and blades (2). Gon, Horlicks (3), Jif plastic lemons (2). Kleenex tissues.

Lantigen 'B' oral vaccine, Loxene (3), Macleans indigestion remedies (3) tooth-paste (3). Macprin (2), Mac throat sweets. Max Factor preparations (3). Moorland indigestion tablets, Opas tablets, Pacquins (2), Palmolive soap, Penetrol inhalant, Pure Silvikrin.

Radian 'B.' Safada cream shampoo, Silvikrin hair cream (2). Snowfire waveset. Spratt's mixed ovals (6), Supavite (4), Water Lilies shampoo (3). Yeast-Vite (2). Zubes pastilles.

Other products which are currently being advertised (but for which no station has been notified) include: Barnet combs. French's bird foods. Pilco vibratory massager, 1001 cleaner.

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ABBOIT LABORA	IORIES,	LTD.	(trom Febru- I.R.P.
Dayamin capsules	30		12 11 R
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WILLIAM FREEMAN & CO., LTD.							
Bathing caps (tax 10 per cent							
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Suba Seal	2 2 1	9	4	- 6	R		
Sea Maid	2	2-	3 2 2	6			
Chic	1	5	2	3			
Sea Child	1	8	. 2	9			
Sea Diver	1	7	2	6	R		
IC.42, teat for wide-neck		οZ.					
feeding bottle	7	4		11	A		
5.A.5, feeding bottle cover							
and measure	9	0	- 1	1;	A		
5.A.4, measuring jug with							
handle 10 oz.	12	8	1	9	A		
KODAK, LTD.							
Kodak Brownie 127 camera;			29	2	Á		
Panatomic-X film‡							
No. 127			2	11	R		
Nos. 120, 627			3	4	R		
films for miniature cameras:	:						
Panatomic-X No. 135							
36-exposure cassette			- 8	- 3	R		
No. 935 1.6 metres			4	- 8	R		
35 mm. 5 metres			12	- 8	R		
17 metres			38		R		
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SMITH & NEPHEW, LTD.							
Pycazide tablets							
50 mgm. 500	105			2			
1,000				0			
100 mgm, 100	46	0	5	9			
500	192	0	24	0	R		
SMITH, KLINE & FRENCI	H LA	BO	RATC	RH	ss,		
LTD. (from February 10)							
Eskacillin V	87		R				
Eskacillin 100	76						
Eskacillin 200	97	4	R				
Eskacillin 100 Sulpha	100	0	R				
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Eskacillin 200 Sulpha 107 4 R 8 oz. 21 JAMES WOOLLEY SONS & CO., LTD. (from February 10) Phenoda solution* 5 oz. 10 oz.

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(Alterations notified this week by the Proprietary Articles Trade Association.)
CURACHO CO. (from February 1) Curacho waters oil-less embrocation* 3 oz.
veterinary* 3 oz. 18 6 14 6 6 massage cream*
2 oz. (new size)
(4-oz. jar discontinued) 18 6 2 6

DELETIONS FROM THE LIST M. BEETHAM & SON Larola skin lotion; Beetham's glycerine and cucumber.

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	50	3 3	4	10½
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dispensing pack	2 litres	48 6		
Vandid* (sole MOORE, LTD.)	distributo	rs: SA¥	ORY	7
tablets 20 mg		5 0	9	0
dispensing pa	ck 250	50 0		
ampoules				
	5 mils 6	20 0	36	9
oral solution				
5 per cen	t. 15 mils	8 9	15	9
DISTILLERS CO.	(BIOCHE	MICALS).	LT	D
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125 mg		5 10	8	9
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ELINAVEE DIVIGIA	ON THEAT	CO TTD		
FUMITE DIVISION Fumite TCNB	size 3	co, Lib.	2	0
GENATOSAN, LT Sanatogen* " econ	D	Doz.	26	0
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D. & W. GIBBS, 1	LTD.			
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lated)*	tin		1	1
LINCOLN HAIR	PRODUC	TS. LTD.		
Linc-o-Lin hand c		10, 210.		
	d '' pack	57 0	6	6
MERCK SHARP	& DOHM			
Hydrodyne tablets	1 100	Each	42	0
dispensing pac	ck 100	28 0	42	9
MOORE MEDICI	NAL PROI	DUCTS, L	TD.	
Strix tablets tu	be 10		1	9
H R, NAPP, LTD				
Carmerin tablets*			7	8
Carmerin tablets	300		34	ÿ
			5.4	
PARKE DAVIS &		•		
Sytron*	4 fl. oz.		6	0
	16 fl. oz.		21	71
	80 fl. oz		90	0
HELENA RUBIN	STEIN, LT	D.		
Silk face powder†			11	6
	refill†		8	3
Silk minute make-	-up†		10	
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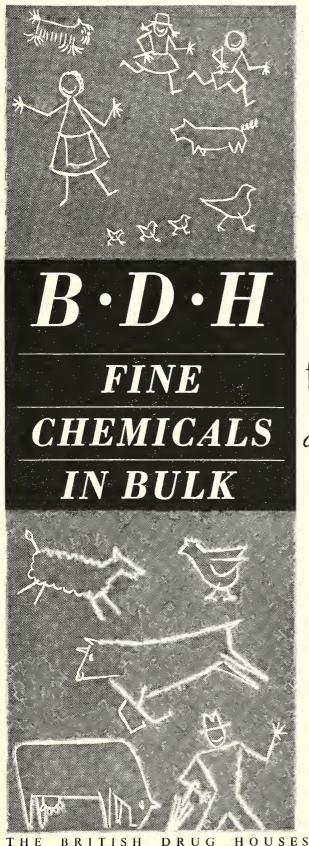
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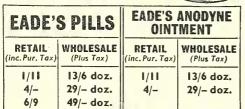
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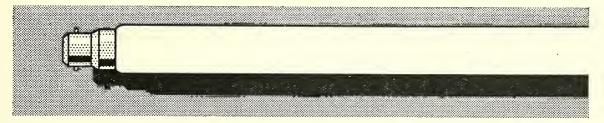
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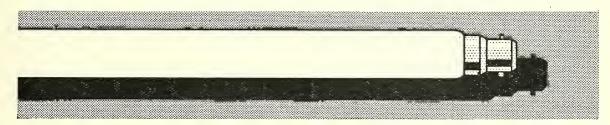
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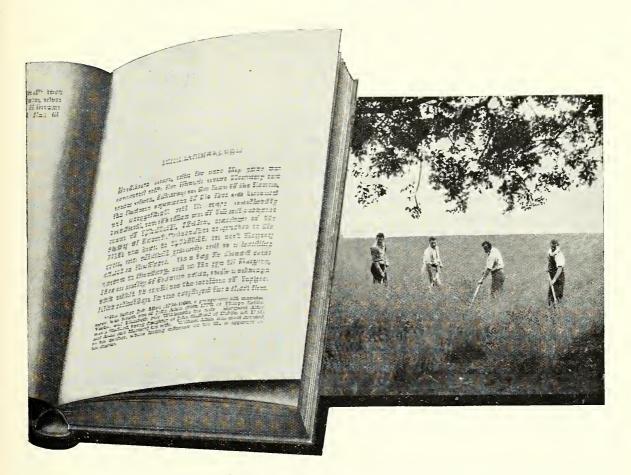


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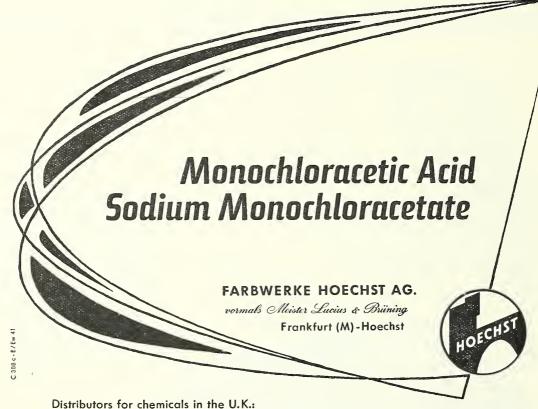
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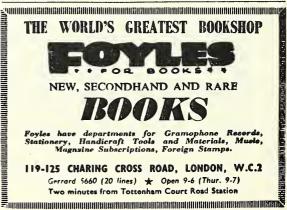
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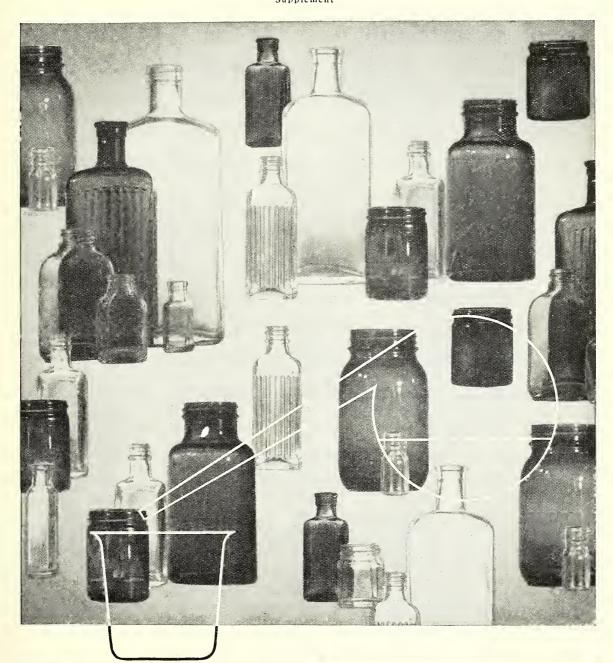
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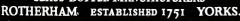
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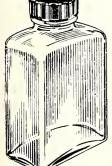
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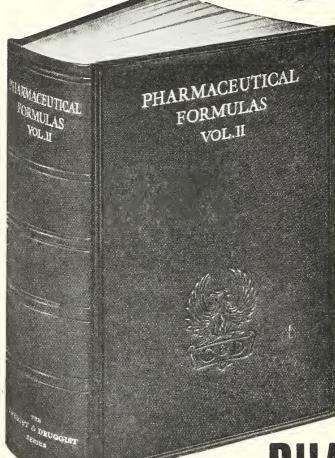
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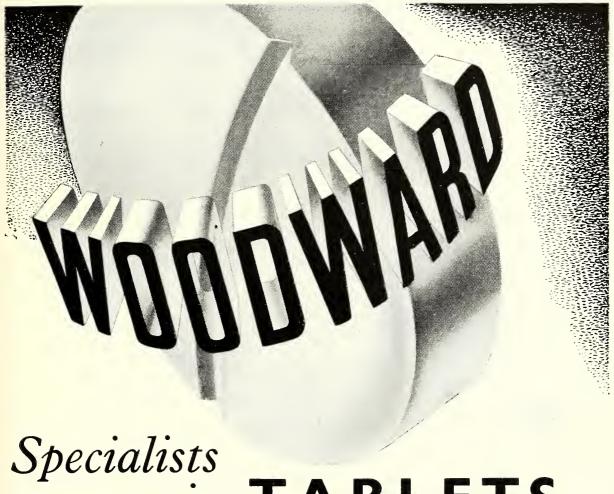
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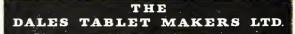
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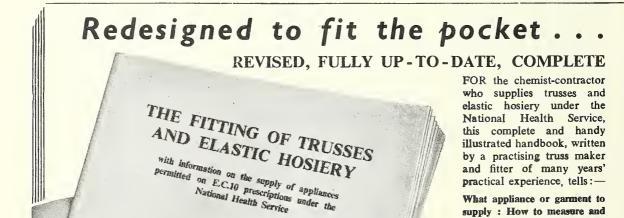
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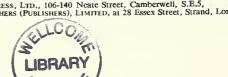
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